

CITY OF VANCOUVERREGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, October 30, 1979, in the Council Chamber commencing at approximately 2.00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Volrich
Aldermen Bellamy, Boyce, Ford,
Gerard, Harcourt, Kennedy,
Little, Marzari, Puil
and Rankin

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL:

R. Henry

PRAYER

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with prayer offered by the Civic Chaplain, Major H. Tilley, of the Salvation Army.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

The Council was advised there were matters to be considered "In Camera" later this day.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,
SECONDED by Ald. Ford,

THAT the Minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

Regular Council (except "In Camera" portion) of
October 16, 1979

Special Council (Public Hearing) of October 16,
1979

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Ford,
SECONDED by Ald. Bellamy,

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole,
Mayor Volrich in the Chair.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS1. Trident Nuclear Submarine
and Missile System

Council had previously approved a request from the Pacific Life Community to address it on the Trident Nuclear Submarine and Missile System at Bangor, Washington. Mr. Ron Irons addressed Council on behalf of the group and read from a circulated brief. The group was requesting Council to support a resolution that the United States discontinue development of the Trident Nuclear Submarine base at Bangor, Washington.

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,

THAT the representation from Mr. Ron Irons, on behalf of Pacific Life Community be received and no further action be taken.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Boyce, Ford, Harcourt, Marzari, and Rankin opposed.)

2. Show Cause Hearing -
Traveller's Hotel,
57 West Cordova Street

At a 'show cause' hearing on the Traveller's Hotel on September 18, 1979, Council, having heard representation from the counsel for Mr. Setynski, operator of the hotel, deferred the 'show cause' hearing on the beer parlour of this hotel for four weeks pending a further report from the Police Department and the Director of Permits and Licenses on the management of this beer parlour.

Before Council was a City Manager's report dated October 23, 1979 in which the Manager submitted for consideration a report of the Director of Permits and Licenses and the Police Department on the management of the Traveller's Hotel beer parlour.

Mr. N. Wexler, counsel for the operator of the hotel addressed Council and read from a circulated brief. He submitted that management of the hotel has improved significantly and that the operator is making every effort to comply with requests from City staff.

Inspector Grierson agreed that the operator has made a number of improvements with resultant upgrading of management.

MOVED by Ald. Kennedy,

THAT Council take no action to suspend the beer parlour license of the Traveller's Hotel, 57 West Cordova Street, subject to a report back from staff in three months' time or earlier should circumstances warrant.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Ford opposed.)

3. 3543 Point Grey Road -
D.P.A. No. 84725

Council on October 16, 1979 deferred consideration of a City Manager's report dated October 12, 1979 on a development permit application to add to and alter the existing one family dwelling at 3543 Point Grey Road to permit Mrs. R. Buzzard of 3539-41 Point Grey Road an opportunity to speak to this matter.

DELEGATIONS (Cont'd.)

3543 Point Grey Road -
D.P.A. No. 84725 (Cont'd.)

Mrs. Buzzard addressed Council and read from a circulated brief in which she detailed the history of development of the dwellings at 3539-3561 Point Grey Road. She also circulated photographs illustrating location of the various dwellings on their lots and requested Council not approve the development permit application for 3543 Point Grey Road.

Mr. Briant, one of three persons who recently purchased Mrs. Buzzard's property also addressed Council and endorsed her comments. Mr. Street, counsel for the applicant requested that Council take no action to deter approval of the development permit application for 3543 Point Grey Road.

MOVED by Ald. Boyce,
THAT the Director of Planning be advised that it is Council's wish that he not approve Development Permit Application No. 84725 for 3543 Point Grey Road.

- LOST

(Aldermen Bellamy, Gerard, Harcourt, Kennedy, Little, Marzari, Puil, Rankin and the Mayor opposed.)

Reference was made to a City Manager's report of August 10, 1979 on reporting development permit applications on the north side of Point Grey Road. At that time Council approved the recommendation of the City Manager

"THAT only Development Permit Applications for conditional uses and requests for special relaxations be reported to Council or the Planning and Development Committee as appropriate, after the applications have been processed but before approval."

MOVED by Ald. Boyce,
THAT Council's action of August 14, 1979 with respect to "reporting development permit applications on the north side of Point Grey Road" be amended and approved as follows:

"That only Development Permit Applications for conditional uses and requests for special relaxations be reported to Council *for consideration and advice as appropriate, after the applications have been processed but before approval."

- LOST

(Aldermen Bellamy, Gerard, Harcourt, Kennedy, Little, Puil and the Mayor opposed.)

*underlining denotes amendment

Council took no further action on this matter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS1. Transit Cost-Sharing and
Organization Proposals

Council on Tuesday, October 16, 1979, when considering a City Manager's report dated October 11, 1979 on Transit Cost-Sharing and Organization Proposals deferred a motion by Alderman Bellamy to approve the recommendations of the City Manager in this report with amendment and resolved to request the G.V.R.D. to defer for ten days the decision on the proposed transit cost-sharing and organization formulas to permit the hearing of delegations.

In a memo dated October 26, 1979 before Council this day, the City Clerk advised that the G.V.R.D. did not accede to the City's deferral request. However, the G.V.R.D. held a special meeting on the evening of Tuesday, October 23, 1979 to hear submissions from the public on transit cost-sharing to which the organizations which had requested to address Council were encouraged to make their submissions.

The G.V.R.D. on October 24, 1979 approved the Provincial Government's transit cost-sharing and organization proposals.

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,
THAT

- A. The proposed 1/3 Local - 2/3 Provincial cost-sharing formula be approved;
- B. Gas revenues be based on a gas tax which escalates in line with the cost of living or preferably at 3 percent of the total gas revenues.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Boyce, Marzari, Puil, and Rankin opposed.)

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,
THAT

- C. Local municipal councils retain existing approval rights on new routes, service extensions, transit stops and transit priority measures involving traffic control;
- D. A technical committee be formed from the staffs of local municipalities to provide input into the G.V.R.D. decision-making process and that this be formally incorporated into the Letters Patent; and
- E. Criteria be derived to allocate transit services objectively by this technical committee for approval by the G.V.R.D.

AND FURTHER THAT the G.V.R.D. be requested, at this time, to include custom transit services for the handicapped in the Letters Patent and the negotiating agreement with a special cost-sharing formula of no more than 10% of fare box revenues.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council recessed at 3.55 p.m. to reconvene at 4.20 p.m.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTSD. MANAGER'S REPORT
(October 26, 1979)Gastown Community Action Plan

Members of the Gastown Historic Area Co-ordinating Committee addressed Council in support of the Committee's report "Gastown Community Action Plan" dated October 1, 1979. Mr. P. Boname, Consultant to the Committee in preparation of this plan also addressed Council and urged it to approve the Committee's recommendations detailed in its report of October 1, 1979.

MOVED by Ald. Kennedy,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, as contained in this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Cont'd.)3. Harbour Park Development

Council on August 28, 1979 deferred recommendations A, B and D of the Planning and Development Committee of August 16, 1979 pending further discussions with the Park Board and the hearing of delegations. Council approved recommendation C of the Committee.

Subsequently, an informal meeting of Council and the Park Board was held on October 9, 1979 when delegations were heard. On October 15, 1979 the Park Board resolved that it express to City Council its support for development of the Harbour Park site within the Interim Meadow Concept Plan, and request Park Board staff to proceed with design and cost estimating of the landscape component of the project in consultation with appropriate civic departments.

In a memo dated October 26, 1979 (before Council this day), the City Clerk advised that Council approval of the deferred recommendations of the Standing Committee on Planning and Development is necessary so that negotiations can commence with the Federal Environment Ministry, the National Harbours Board, Harbour Ferries and others on the detailed alignment, design and cost-sharing, so that long term leases for the marina(s) can be drawn up.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the following recommendations of the Standing Committee on Planning and Development contained in this report dated August 16, 1979 be approved:

- A. That the request from the Park Board for immediate care and custody of the entire Harbour Park site not be approved at this time.
- B. That the Park Board be requested to prepare a plan and detailed cost estimates for interim development of the area with limited planting of trees and shrubs in sympathy with the "Interim meadow" concept.
- D. That the "substantial improvements" option described in this report be approved and that City officials be authorized to negotiate with Harbour Ferries Ltd., the Federal Ministry of the Environment re funding options, the National Harbours Board, and such other Government authorities whose approval is required in order to successfully finance and achieve this option.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOTIONS

1. Civic Theatres

MOVED by Ald. Little,
SECONDED by Ald. Gerard,

THAT WHEREAS in advertising of films being shown in theatres in Vancouver there is a system of classification to identify films which are not considered in the class of general family viewing;

AND WHEREAS in the Civic Theatres, there is no such classification but performances are scheduled in these theatres which are not in the category of 'family' entertainment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council request that the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board advise on steps which can be taken to inform the public of theatre performances which are not in the category of 'family' entertainment.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Ford, Harcourt, Marzari, Puil and Rankin opposed.)

At this point in the proceedings Alderman Kennedy left the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Cont'd.)

2. Deferred Grant Appeal - Native Street Workers Project

Council on April 24, 1979 having heard an appeal from Mr. E. R. Ducharme of the Native Street Workers Project on its decision to not approve a grant to this project, deferred consideration of the appeal until after the Provincial election when the Mayor was requested to discuss funding of the project with the Minister of Human Resources.

Before Council this day was a memorandum of the City Clerk dated October 22, 1979 attaching a letter dated October 4, 1979 from the Provincial Human Resources Minister advising the Ministry is unable to fund this project.

MOVED by Ald. Little,

THAT this whole matter be referred back to the Community Services Committee for further consideration.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Boyce and Puil opposed.)

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS1. Boundary Road Improvement Project

Council noted letters from La Petite Maison Housing Co-operative and Champlain Heights Planning Advisory Committee, dated October 9th and 16th respectively, requesting to address Council at an evening meeting, on the Boundary Road Improvement Project.

A footnote from the City Clerk advised that a report on noise abatement measures and landscaping of the Boundary Road Improvement Project will be before Council in late November.

MOVED by Ald. Boyce

THAT the delegation requests be approved for hearing at an evening meeting of Council, when the report on noise abatement measures and landscaping of the Boundary Road Improvement Project is before it.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Appointment of Civic Chaplain

In a memorandum dated October 19, 1979, the Mayor recommended that the Reverend J.A. McCardle of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, be appointed Civic Chaplain for the months of November and December, 1979.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

That the Reverend J.A. McCardle of the Church of the Immaculate Conception be appointed Civic Chaplain for the months of November and December, 1979, as recommended by the Mayor in his memorandum dated October 19, 1979.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Air Pollution - Burrard Inlet Basin

The Corporation of the District of Burnaby, in a letter dated October 17, 1979, advised Council of its adoption of a number of Notices of Motion, and requested that Vancouver City Council advise it of any action taken on these motions.

MOVED by Ald. Marzari

THAT Council concur with the following resolutions of the Burnaby Municipal Council:

1. That Burnaby Municipal Council petition the Minister of the Environment, the Honourable K.R. Mair to have the Province of British Columbia enact legislation that would give the Director, Air Pollution Control, Greater Vancouver Regional District, the authority to restrict any increase of industrial air pollution sources in Burrard Inlet Basin unless it can be shown by the Greater Vancouver Regional District that the total emission of contaminants in the Burrard Inlet Basin will not be increased nor the ambient air quality be adversely affected, and further, that the Director be asked to exercise that authority referred to:
2. That Burnaby Municipal Council send a letter to each Municipality bordering Burrard Inlet asking their endorsement of the foregoing resolution:
3. That Burnaby Municipal Council request the Director, Air Pollution Control, Greater Vancouver Regional District, to notify this Council in future of any increase in industrial air pollution sources in the Burrard Inlet Basin:

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COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS (Cont'd.)

Air Pollution - Burrard
Inlet Basin (Cont'd)

4. That the Director, Air Pollution Control, Greater Vancouver Regional District, inform this Council of methods presently being implemented to improve air quality in the Burrard Inlet Basin and the long range strategy planned to improve air quality in this basin.

- CARRIED

(Ald. Gerard opposed)

MOVED by Ald. Marzari

THAT Council concur with the following resolutions of the Burnaby Municipal Council:

- A. That Burnaby Municipal Council petition the Greater Vancouver Regional District and the Provincial Government for improved public transit in the Burrard Inlet Basin as soon as possible and that serious consideration be given to operating the public transit system with (clean) electrical power:
- B. That Burnaby Municipal Council request all other Burrard Inlet Municipalities to endorse this proposal.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

THAT the following resolution be received and referred to the City's Energy Conservation Officer:

That Burnaby Municipal Council instruct staff to report to Council on ways and means by which this contribution can be significantly reduced, i.e. conversion to solar heating or electric heating, heating conservation measures, etc., and suggestions for implementing these alternatives; and

Further that Burrard Inlet Municipalities be requested to consider similar action.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. December Shopping Hours

Council noted a letter dated October 22, 1979, from the General Manager, Retail Merchants Association of Canada, requesting that Council repeal the by-law permitting stores to remain open until 9:00 p.m. every night in December. The Association requested an opportunity to address Council on this matter.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the delegation request from the Retail Merchants Association of Canada, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS (Cont'd.)

5. Proposed Sign:
1102 F. Georgia Street

In a letter dated October 12, 1979, the President of Stork-Babyland Diaper Service protests a ruling of the Director of Permits and Licenses that the Company not be permitted to paint its name on its place of business. Council noted the City Clerk has requested a joint report on this matter from the Director of Planning and Director of Permits and Licenses.

MOVED by Ald. Little

THAT the delegation request from Stork-Babyland Diaper Service be approved for hearing when the report from the Directors of Planning and Permits and Licenses is before Council.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Appeal re Board of Variance
 Decision on property at
2648 Cambridge Street

Before Council was a letter dated September 22, 1979, from Mr. P. Ceklaj, requesting an opportunity to address Council to request it to urge the Board of Variance to re-hear his appeal with legal counsel present. (The Board of Variance on September 12, 1979, disallowed Mr. Ceklaj's appeal with respect to his building at 2648 Cambridge Street.)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the request of Mr. P. Ceklaj, to appear before Council as a delegation, be approved.

- LOST

(Ald. Bellamy, Boyce, Ford, Gerard, Little, Puil
 and the Mayor opposed)

7. Cassiar/Hastings Intersection
 and Related Blockades

Council noted a letter from the City Clerk of the City of North Vancouver, advising of the following resolutions passed by the North Vancouver City Council on October 22, 1979:

1. THAT North Vancouver City Council appeal to the City of Vancouver to reconsider its decision to limit the access and exit from Cassiar Street because of the delays in traffic suffered by North Shore residents using the Second Narrows Bridge.
2. THAT the Minister of Highways be requested to proceed with an underpass of the Trans Canada Highway under Hastings Street.

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy

THAT the letter dated October 22, 1979, from the City of North Vancouver, regarding the Blockades in the vicinity of the Cassiar/Hastings intersection be received.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS (Cont'd.)

8. Human Rights Commission's Investigation
- E.B. Misty Inc.

The President of the Black Solidarity Association, in a letter dated October 26, 1979, requested an opportunity to address Council when the results of the Human Rights Commission's Board of Enquiry against E. B. Misty Inc. is before it.

In a footnote the City Clerk advised that on March 13, 1979, Council heard a delegation from the Black Solidarity Association, approved certain recommendations from the Chairman of the Council Committee on Community Services, and resolved:

'THAT the representation, and the brief from the organization, be received and the brief be considered when Council has received the decision of the Human Rights Commission's investigation currently under way.'

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the delegation request be approved and the President of the Black Solidarity Association appear before Council when the results of the Human Rights Commission's enquiry are being discussed.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Mayor requested that, when the judgement of the Human Rights Board of Enquiry is received, the Director of Legal Services summarize it for Council's information when hearing the delegation from the Black Solidarity Association.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

A. MANAGER'S GENERAL REPORT
OCTOBER 26, 1979

Works & Utility Matters
(October 26, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains three clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Tender Awards
- Cl. 2: Lane Closure - South of 54th Ave.,
East of Hudson St.
- Cl. 3: Sewer Reconstruction - Lane North
of Kingsway - Windsor to St. Catherine

Tender Awards
(Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT this clause be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Clauses 2 and 3

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, as contained in clauses 2 and 3 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd.)

Building & Planning Matters
(October 26, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains four clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Illegal Suites
- Cl. 2: Commercial Drive Beautification:
Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Contribution
- Cl. 3: 3837 Point Grey Road -
D.P.A. No. 85299
- Cl. 4: Block Bros. Development: 1st Ave.
Sasamat and West 2nd Avenue

Illegal Suites
(Clause 1)

During consideration of this clause Mr. N. McClellan, Housing Control Co-ordinator, Department of Permits and Licenses, answered questions from Council.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT this clause of the City Manager's report be received and no further action be taken.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Ford, Marzari, Little and the Mayor opposed.)

Commercial Drive Beautification:
Grandview-Woodland N.I.P.
Contribution
(Clause 2)

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, as contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Clauses 3 and 4

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,

THAT clauses 3 and 4 of this report be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council recessed at 5.15 p.m. for an "In Camera" meeting in the Mayor's Office.

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The Council reconvened at approximately 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, in Committee of the Whole, with Mayor Volrich in the Chair and the following members

PRESENT Mayor Volrich
Aldermen Boyce, Ford, Harcourt, Gerard, Kennedy,
Little, Marzari, Puil and Rankin

ABSENT: Alderman Bellamy (on Civic business)

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: Mrs. M. Kinsella

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DELEGATIONS (Cont'd)

4. Diversion of Discovery Street through Jericho Park

On October 2, 1979, after considering a letter from Mr. D. Gray-Grant with respect to the proposed diversion of Discovery Street through Jericho Park, Council agreed to hear delegations on the matter at today's meeting.

Also before Council was a report of the City Manager dated October 24, 1979, submitted to provide background information and the current status of plans for improvement of the Discovery Street routing to Jericho Park.

The Mayor called upon Mr. D. Rudberg, Assistant City Engineer, to elaborate on the matter before Council and answer questions. It was drawn to Council's attention that Plan A, the proposed Community Buffer Zone and roadway configuration, was approved by both City Council and the Board of Parks and Recreation. Attention was also drawn to the past increases in parkland acreage through the recovery of previously dedicated road allowances.

The question of legal requirements vis-a-vis land use and consequent agreements between the City of Vancouver and the Federal Government (D.N.D.) was addressed by Mr. C. Fleming, Director of Legal Services. It was noted that the process to obtain Federal agreement to utilize dedicated parkland as roadways was exactly the same for this project as has been utilized to recover the Point Grey Road extension land for park use.

Following the staff presentation and questions from the Aldermen the Mayor called upon the delegations to address Council.

Mr. D. Gray-Grant read from a brief circulated to Council and spoke in opposition to the proposed Plan.

Mr. T.M. Nichols, on behalf of the Save Our Parkland Association, addressed Council in opposition to the Plan from the perspective that no amount of parkland should be converted to roadway where seemingly adequate access prevailed.

Mrs. D. Mellish, Vancouver Council of Women, read from a brief previously circulated, in opposition to the proposed Plan.

Mr. J. Powell, representing the West Point Grey Community Association, circulated a brief to Council and addressed the merits of the proposed Plan A. Mr. Powell advised that both the West Point Grey Community Association and the Northwest Point Grey Homeowners' Association were in full support of the proposed Plan A and urged Council's continued support.

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DELEGATIONS (Cont'd)

Diversion of Discovery Street
through Jericho Park (cont'd)

Mr. S. Oosterhuis, on behalf of the Dunbar/West Point Grey/Southlands Area Committee, urged Council to postpone the proposed undertaking pending the preparation of a comprehensive plan for the whole district. He further urged that the matter be referred to the general public of Vancouver.

Mr. R. Huish addressed Council in support of Plan A.

Mr. D. Mitchell, Mr. J. Morrison, Mr. A. Andrew, and Mr. D. Condor, each addressed Council in support of Plan A and urged Council to maintain its position.

Mrs. W. Panton, Mr. H. Hamm and Ms. A. Taylor similarly favoured continued support for Plan A and urged Council to reaffirm its previous position.

Commissioner M.A. Fowler, Vancouver Park Board, addressed Council in opposition to the proposal. Commissioner Fowler explained that Park Board approval in June of 1979 was not unanimous but rather had been a 5 to 2 decision with both herself and Commissioner Bain opposed to the Park Board concurrence. Commissioner Fowler contended that the roadway was not an access to the park as presented to the Council and that citizen involvement had not taken place as conveyed to the Federal Government.

Commissioner I. Bain addressed Council and read from a brief then circulated. Commissioner Bain expressed his opposition to Plan A and his preference for Scheme B(1), if in fact a roadway improvement program was necessary.

Mr. R. Lundy addressed Council in opposition to the proposed Plan contending that it was unnecessary to cut up parkland.

Mr. R. Blunden, on behalf of the Citizens Council on Civic Development, read from a circulated brief opposing a roadway plan and endorsing alternative methods of controlling traffic flows over the affected routes.

Mr. B. Yerex addressed Council in opposition to the proposed roadway.

Commissioner P. Owen of the Vancouver Park Board appeared officially to confirm the favourable endorsement of Plan A by the Board.

Following discussion, it was

MOVED by Ald. Kennedy,

THAT the delegations and the report of the City Manager dated October 24, 1979, be received and that the previous decision of Council, to approve the Plan to divert Discovery Street through Jericho Park (Plan A), be reaffirmed.

- CARRIED

(Ald. Boyce and Marzani opposed)

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DELEGATIONS (Cont'd)

Diversion of Discovery Street
through Jericho Park (cont'd)

It was further

MOVED by Ald. Ford,

THAT Council instruct the City Manager to review the planning and funding of improvements to Marine Drive beyond West 2nd Avenue for report to the Transportation Committee.

FURTHER THAT the parking lanes on the Buffer Road be given a different surface treatment to that applied to the roadway itself.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At this point in the proceedings, Aldermen Boyce and Kennedy left the meeting.

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd)

Finance Matters
(October 26, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains seven clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Investment Matters (Various Funds)
September 1979
- Cl. 2: Interest Allowed on Prepayment of
Real Property Tax
- Cl. 3: Ukranian Museums of Canada -
Vancouver Branch
- Cl. 4: Bank Accounts Required for City
Business
- Cl. 5: Local Area Planning Program -
Hastings-Sunrise
- Cl. 6: Assessment Options for 1980
- Cl. 7: Maximum Fines - By-laws

Clauses 1-3 inclusive

MOVED by Ald. Puil,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, as contained in clauses 1, 2 and 3 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bank Accounts Required for
City Business
(Clause 4)

MOVED by Ald. Puil,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, as contained in this clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE
REQUIRED MAJORITY

Clauses 5-7 inclusive

MOVED by Ald. Puil,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, as contained in clauses 5, 6 and 7 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd)

Property Matters
(October 26, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains three clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Lease of Britannia Community Services Centre Coffee Shop to Stothert & Kirby
- Cl. 2: Rent Review - 4497 Belmont Ave.
- Cl. 3: B.C. Hydro Central Park Substation Site - New Option Agreement

Clauses 1-3 inclusive

MOVED by Ald. Gerard,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, as contained in clauses 1, 2 and 3 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. MANAGER'S REPORT
(October 22, 1979)

Framework for a Vancouver
Energy Strategy

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, as contained in his report dated October 22, 1979, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

During consideration of this report, the Mayor requested the City Clerk to obtain copies of the City of Portland's Energy Conservation Plan for circulation to Members of Council.

C. MANAGER'S REPORT
(OCTOBER 23, 1979)

Integration of Park Board and
City's Accounting System

MOVED by Ald. Puil,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, as contained in this report be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. MANAGER'S REPORT
(OCTOBER 23, 1979)

Sale of City Lands

MOVED by Ald. Little,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, as contained in this report be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

I. Report of Standing Committee
on Planning and Development
(October 18, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains six clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Status of Major Development Permit Applications
- Cl. 2: Monthly Status Report on Rezoning Applications
- Cl. 3: Planning Department Work Program
- Cl. 4: Policies and Procedures for Controlling the Development of Residential Facilities for the Handicapped, the Elderly and Others with Special Needs
- Cl. 5: Disposition of Two Acres of City-owned Land at the Southeast Corner of First and Cassiar - Thunderbird Neighbourhood
- Cl. 6: Shaughnessy Planning Study - Status Report

Clauses 1,2,3,4 and 6

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in clauses 1,2,3,4 and 6 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Disposition of Two Acres of City-owned Land at the Southeast Corner of First and Cassiar - Thunderbird Neighbourhood
(Clause 5)

When considering this clause, the Mayor suggested that Council might wish to defer consideration of this matter. Representatives of the Greek Church had contacted his office, subsequent to the Committee meeting to reiterate their interest in the subject property. Council so noted and took no further action.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, as contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

II. Report of Standing Committee
on Community Services
(October 18, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains four clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Bimini's Neighbourhood Pub - Request for Extension of Hours on Halloween
- Cl. 2: Police Report - Smilin' Buddha Cabaret
- Cl. 3: Fall Quarter 1979 Community Services Grants
- Cl. 4: Downtown Eastside Residents' Association (D.E.R.A.) - Grants Guidelines and Appeal Procedure

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (Cont'd)

Standing Committee on
Community Services
(October 18, 1979) (cont'd)

Clauses 1, 2 and 4

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in
clauses 1, 2 and 4 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fall Quarter 1979 Community
Services Grants
(Clause 3)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in this
clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE
REQUIRED MAJORITY

III. Report of Standing Committee
on Transportation
(October 18, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains four clauses
identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: News Vending Boxes and Stands
- Cl. 2: Commercial Bus Shelter Program
- Cl. 3: Resident Parking Investigations -
200 Block East 15th Avenue and
2500 Trafalgar Street
- Cl. 4: The Shopper FreeBus Study

Clauses 1 and 3

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in
clauses 1 and 3 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commercial Bus Shelter Program
(Clause 2)

When considering this clause Council noted requests for
delegations at an evening meeting of Council from Killarney Champlain
Citizens for Action Association and Kensington Citizens N.I.P. Planning
Committee. Council took no action to approve these requests.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
THAT the recommendation of the Committee as contained in this
clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (Cont'd)

Standing Committee on Transportation
(October 18, 1979) (cont'd)

The Shopper FreeBus Study
(Clause 4)

When considering this clause, Council noted a query from Ald. Little as to the expected date of a report on the proposed extension of FreeBus service to include Hastings and perhaps the West End. Council was advised that the report should be presented by the end of November 1979.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, as contained in this clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IV. Report of Standing Committee
on Finance and Administration
(October 18, 1979)

The Council considered this report which contains two clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Renewal of Agreement Concerning
Transfer of Zoning and Other
Property Data to Real Estate
Board of Greater Vancouver
- Cl. 2: Fire Fighter Entrance Qualifica-
tions and Selection Procedures
in the Lower Mainland

Clauses 1 and 2

MOVED by Ald. Puil,

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in clauses 1 and 2 of this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. Report of Standing Committee
on Planning and Development
(October 18, 1979)

The Marpole Plan
(Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, as contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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G.V.R.D. Matters

There were no matters to be considered in preparation for the G.V.R.D. Meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 31, 1979.

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Little,
 THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Little,
 SECONDED by Ald. Ford,
 THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

1. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
 NO. 3575 BEING THE ZONING AND
 DEVELOPMENT BY-LAW
 (S.E. Corner of West Hastings
 and Jervis Streets)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
 SECONDED by Ald. Little,
 THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
 SECONDED by Ald. Little,
 THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
 NO. 3575 BEING THE ZONING AND
 DEVELOPMENT BY-LAW
 (S.E. Corner of East 45th Avenue
 and Kerr Street)

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
 SECONDED by Ald. Rankin,
 THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
 SECONDED by Ald. Rankin,
 THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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BY-LAWS (Cont'd.)

3. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
NO. 4804 BEING THE TAX
PREPAYMENT BY-LAW

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
NO. 4837 BEING THE HERITAGE
BY-LAW

MOVED by Ald. Ford,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Ford,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE
REQUIRED MAJORITY

5. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
NO. 3575 BEING THE ZONING AND
DEVELOPMENT BY-LAW
(Repeal Commercial District
Schedule)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cont'd.

BY-LAWS (Cont'd.)

6. A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW
NO. 4810 BEING THE SIGN
BY-LAW

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Harcourt,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS

- A. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(North 2 feet of Lot 34,
Block 5, District Lot 636,
Plan 1902)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

North 2 feet of Lot 34
Block 5
District Lot 636
Plan 1902

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cont'd.

MOTIONS (Cont'd.

- B. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(North 10 feet of West $\frac{1}{2}$
of Lot 13, Block 293,
District Lot 526, Plan 590)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

North 10 feet of
West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 13
Block 293
District Lot 526
Plan 590

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- C. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(South 10 feet of East $\frac{1}{2}$
of Lot 2, Block 293,
District Lot 526, Plan 590)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

South 10 feet of
East $\frac{1}{2}$ of
Lot 2
Block 293
District Lot 526
Plan 590

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOTIONS (Cont'd.)

- D. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(South 10 feet of Lot 4,
Block 262, District Lot 526,
Plan 1058)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

South 10 feet of Lot 4,
Block 262,
District Lot 526,
Plan 1058

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- E. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(South 10 feet of Lot 12,
Block 17, District Lot 264A,
Plan Nos. 403 and 1771)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

South 10 feet of Lot 12,
Block 17,
District Lot 264A,
Plan Nos. 403 and 1771

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cont'd.

MOTIONS (Cont'd.)

- F. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(South 10 feet of Lot 11,
Block 17, District Lot 264A,
Plans 403 and 1771)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

South 10 feet of Lot 11,
Block 17,
District Lot 264A,
Plans 403 and 1771

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- G. Allocation of Land for
Lane Purposes
(South 10 feet of each of
Lots 3 and 4, Both of Block
293, District Lot 526,
Plan 590)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner has conveyed to the City of Vancouver for lane purposes land in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

South 10 feet of each of Lots 3 and 4
Both of Block 293,
District Lot 526,
Plan 590

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for lane purposes;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the above described lands so conveyed be, and the same are hereby accepted and allocated for lane purposes and declared to form and to constitute portion of a lane.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cont'd.

MOTIONS (Cont'd.)

H. Closing, Conveying to Abutting Owners, and Consolidation, Lane South of 54th Avenue, East from Hudson Street

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,
THAT WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. The proposed subdivision east of Hudson Street between 54th and 57th Avenue requires the closure of the lane south of 54th Avenue, which abuts Lot 3 (Plan 12790), Lot B (Plan 9729) both of Lot 1, and Lot A (Plan 6187) of Lot 2, all in Block 17A, District Lot 526;
3. The proposed subdivision will dedicate a road outlet to 54th Avenue which will eliminate the need for this lane;
4. The owners of said Lots 3, B and A wish to acquire this portion of lane;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all the lane dedicated by the deposit of Plan 9729 in Block 17A, District Lot 526, and that portion of lane dedicated by the deposit of Plan 6187 lying between the production southerly of the easterly and westerly limits of Lot A (Plan 6187) of Lot 2, Block 17A, District Lot 526, the same as shown outlined red, green and blue respectively on plan prepared by G. Girardin, B.C.L.S., dated October 19, 1979, and marginally numbered LE 4976, a print of which is attached hereto, be closed, stopped up; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the portions of lane so closed, outlined red, green and blue, be conveyed to the owners of said Lots 3, B and A respectively and consolidated with the said Lots.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. View from Hornby Street

MOVED by Ald. Ford,
SECONDED by Ald. Boyce,
THAT WHEREAS Vancouver is a city of beautiful views;

AND WHEREAS the people value this amenity;

AND WHEREAS the downtown street end views are particularly important as witness the concern expressed over the ten foot encroachment by Granville Square into the Granville Street end view;

AND WHEREAS the street end of Hornby Street North of Hastings Street is in private hands;

AND WHEREAS it is rumoured that the owner intends to build an office building on this site;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT city staff negotiate with the owner to try to effect an exchange of this property with city-owned land, or recommend other means to preserve the view from Hornby Street.

- (referred)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,
SECONDED by Ald. Puil,
THAT the above motion be referred to the Planning and Development Committee.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was submitted by Alderman Bellamy and recognized by the Chair:

1. Illegal Accommodations

MOVED by Ald. Bellamy,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT WHEREAS under the present procedure re illegal accommodation providing appeals to City Council, a strong possibility of injustices exist, particularly insofar as those who do not appeal to Council are concerned;

AND WHEREAS by the present system where extensions are given, enforcement procedures are withheld in requiring conformity with building and fire regulations which could result in serious consequences;

AND WHEREAS illegal accommodations are prevalent throughout the entire City;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) THAT the whole question of illegal accommodations in the City be reviewed by a small Committee of Council, appointed by the Mayor, to meet with staffs and report through the Planning and Development Committee;
- (b) THAT this Special Committee also consider the present system of Council hearing Hardship Appeals.

- (Notice)

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

Illegal Suites

Alderman Little

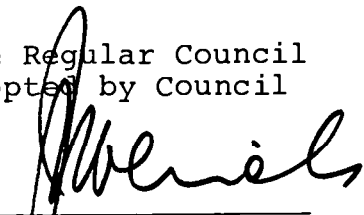
enquired if Council's action this day in extending the moratorium on certain illegal suites could create inequities e.g. a complaint against an owner not covered by this moratorium would be investigated whereas a similar complaint covered by this moratorium would not be acted upon. The reply was in the affirmative.

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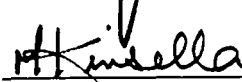
The Council adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

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The foregoing are Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 30, 1979, adopted by Council on November 6, 1979.



MAYOR



DEPUTY CITY CLERK

MANAGER'S REPORTDATE OCTOBER 23, 1979

TO: VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Traveller's Hotel - 57 West Cordova Street

CLASSIFICATION: CONSIDERATION

On September 18, 1979, City Council passed a motion on the 'Show Cause' hearing on the beer parlour of the Traveller's Hotel that the matter be deferred for four weeks at which time there will be a further report from the Police Department and the Director of Permits and Licenses on the management of the beer parlour.

The Director of Permits & Licenses reports as follows:

"Renovations to the living accommodation on the upper floors is progressing and as of October 23, 1979, 41 out of 47 rooms have been re-painted. The owner has indicated that the exterior of the building is to be repaired and painted but this work has not commenced. The general maintenance of the premises is satisfactory, and re-inspections will continue to assure completion of required maintenance."

The Police Department submits the following report:

" As requested the following report is an update on the assessment of the operation of the staff and the beer parlour of the Travellers Hotel, 57 West Cordova Street. The following quotes are from actual licensed premises check sheets submitted by beat men.

79-09-14 2350 hours

Three parties checked smoking dope outside rear of premises. State they bought it from an unknown male in the Travellers Hotel. Management advised. Premises was described as 1/2 filled, management co-operation fair.

PCs 758/227

79-10-06 2240 hours

Fire escape doors still 2-way. One set of doors was propped open with a garbage can. Floor area at rear of premises looked like a cess pool, ie: cigarette butts strewn all over floor; paper scraps strewn all over floor etc. "a real mess". Premises described as 1/4 full.

PCs 227/758

79-10-06 2245 hours

Back doors are not supervised and used as both exit and entrance. The same patrons are again returning and the drug traffic is again increasing inside. The staff co-operation is a little better than before. No blatant liquor infractions noted. Premises described as 3/4 filled.

PCs 678/119

79-10-09 2300 hours

Small crowd. One drunk party being ejected. Back doors still 2-way. Floor looks like a pig-sty - paper, cigarette butts etc. Premises described as 1/4 filled with patrons showing a fair attitude. KEN HALL was person in charge with management co-operation described as fair.

PCs 758/227

"79-10-16 2250 hours

Routine check, no infractions noted. Very small, quiet crowd.

PCs 316/457

On 79-09-17 the writer, Inspector GRIERSON and Cpl. RANDHAWA met with the owner of the Travellers Hotel and his lawyers. It was suggested at that time, the exterior handles of the rear doors be removed in order to control the problems arising from that area, by stopping the continual traffic. This proposal was accepted and a promise to comply was obtained.

No alteration to the rear door was noted until an inspection by the writer and Inspector GRIERSON on 79-10-11, at approximately 2200 hours. The handles had been removed from the outside, however due to an inadequate closing device, and the door fitting being extremely loose, entry was as easy to obtain as if nothing had been done.

I believe this shows only partial committment on the part of the owner to better relations and effectively police his own premises. "

The City Manager submits the foregoing report for CONSIDERATION.

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MANAGER'S REPORT293
DEL-4(i)DATE October 24, 1979

TO: VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Discovery Street Improvements

CLASSIFICATION: INFORMATION

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"The purpose of this report is to provide background information and the current status of plans for improvement of the Discovery Street routing to Jericho Park.

BACKGROUND

In 1973, the City obtained from the Federal Government a number of parcels of land constituting Jericho Beach Park. Development of the park has been proceeding according to an overall plan since then.

Access to the park was immediately recognized by advisory groups as a potential problem. As the number of visitors to the park and adjoining beaches has sharply increased over the following six years, this problem has become more apparent. Two previously proposed roadway corridors have been closed and the land added to Jericho Park, amounting to over 11 acres (see Fig. 2). All traffic, totalling over 20 000 vehicles per day (including buses), must traverse a narrow, winding road partly through a residential area. This traffic is 90% destined to Jericho Park and adjacent beaches. The results are extreme congestion in season, and a serious accident problem out of season at the sharp turns.

DESIGN OF IMPROVEMENTS

Funds for improvements to these access facilities were provided in the Five-Year Streets Capital Program. After an extensive program of public participation and analysis, a consensus was reached on design. The design, known as 'Plan A' or the 'Community Buffer Road Plan', has broad neighbourhood support, unanimous Council approval, and Parks Board approval by a 5-2 vote. (See Fig. 3)

This plan best meets a number of criteria:

- a) improvements to safety;
- b) minimizes the number of trees affected;
- c) separates traffic from the residential area;
- d) provides an attractive, scenic route to the park and beach areas;
- e) leaves existing Discovery Street as a local road, providing an alternate route into the 'landlocked' residential subdivision.

The alternative Plan B rejected by Council, would have cost about \$40,000 less (\$235,000 for B compared to \$275,000 for A), and occupied about 1.5 acres less park land, but was comparable with criteria (a) and poorer than the approved plan in all of (b) to (e) above. (See Fig. 4).

LEGAL STATUS

There are restrictive clauses against the titles of the various lots constituting Jericho Beach Park. When obtained from the Federal Government, two lots (5 & 6) were restricted to road use only, and the balance to park use only. Title to lots 5 & 6 was subsequently amended to park use, but creation of a replacement road corridor had to await consensus on a suitable design.

With agreement earlier this year on the new corridor, the procedure to alter the restrictive clauses was commenced. New lot descriptions were prepared, and the matter is now in the hands of the Privy Council. Indications from Ottawa are that approval to proceed should be received in the near future. In the meantime, on-site activity has been restricted to surveying, in order to define site boundaries.

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FOURTH AVENUE WIDENING

Work has proceeded this past summer on improvements to 4th Avenue from Alma to the 4th Avenue Diversion. This has been built to a much higher standard than is proposed for Discovery Street, because it is a major through route to UBC. Several items remain before this project will be complete:

- (a) a traffic signal is to be installed at the Diversion;
- (b) an improved transition onto the Diversion awaits relocation of several wood poles;
- (c) a comprehensive landscaping plan is to be prepared;
- (d) a parallel bicycle path is to be included.

SUMMARY

Access to Jericho Beach Park and adjoining beaches has been an apparent problem and topic of public discussion for some six years. After consideration of numerous alternatives, broad consensus has been reached on 'Plan A'. This minimizes disruption and improves safety, while providing a scenic route to the waterfront, now a regional attraction. Federal government approval of this replacement corridor is anticipated shortly."

The City Manager submits the above report of the City Engineer for Council's INFORMATION.

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MANAGER'S REPORT, OCTOBER 26, 1979 . . . (WORKS: A1 - 1)

WORKS AND UTILITY MATTERS

INFORMATION

1. Tender Awards

The Purchasing Agent reports as follows:

"In accordance with Council policy, contracts for the following supplies were awarded by the City Manager / authorized City Officials:

Retreading & Repairing of Pneumatic Tires
Supply & installation of drapes & track Q.E. Theatre
Caps - Policemen's & Firemen's
De-icing Salt
Upholstery Material for Q.E. Theatre & Playhouse
Fire Line Meters
Traffic Signal Controllers
Supply & Delivery of Stainless Steel Mesh
Supply & Pressure Treatment of Lumber
Supply & Delivery of Lumber

Copies of the details of these Tender Awards are attached.

The City Manager submits the foregoing report for Council's INFORMATION.

RECOMMENDATION

2. Closure of Portion of Lane South
of 54th Avenue East of Hudson Street

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"On February 20, 1979, Council dealt with a rezoning application at 57th Avenue and Hudson Street. The rezoning application was refused and Council directed that the approving officer give favourable consideration to subdivision plans provided the lot sizes were not less than 9500 square feet with the average lot size being approximately 12 000 square feet. Roads and utilities were to be to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

An application has been received to close portion of lane (10 feet in width) abutting Lot 'A' of Lot 2 and Lot 'B' of Lot 1 both of Block 17A, D.L. 526. The applicant wishes to subdivide Lots 'A', 'B' and 'C' of Lot 7 together with said Lot 'A' of Lot 2 and Lot 'B' of Lot 1 and the intervening lane as shown on the attached sketch. The proposed subdivision conforms with the City's objectives for this block and eliminates the need for the subject portion of lane. The area of road to be dedicated exceeds the area of lane proposed to be closed.

The portion of lane adjacent to Lot 3 of Lot 1 is presently under lease to the owner of Lot 3. It would be desirable to dispose of this portion of lane at this time. The owner of Lot 3 has agreed to acquire the lane at a nominal sum and consolidate this portion of lane with his lot.

I Recommend That all those portions of lane shown shaded and hatched on the attached sketch be closed, stopped up and the shaded portion be conveyed to the owner of Lot 3 of Lot 1, Block 17A, D.L. 526, Plan 12790 and the hatched portion be conveyed to the owners of Lot 'A' of Lot 2 and Lot 'B' of Lot 1 subject to the following conditions:

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Clause No. 1 cont'd:

- (a) The portion of lane shown shaded on the attached sketch to be consolidated with Lot 3 of Lot 1. The owner to provide and register the necessary plan.
- (b) The portion of lane shown hatched to be subdivided with the abutting lands.
- (c) The applicant to pay for the relocation of utilities or provide easements to contain them.
- (d) The applicant to provide and register the necessary subdivision plan dedicating the road as shown on the attached sketch.
- (e) The owner of Lot 3 to pay the nominal sum of \$1.00 in accordance with the recommendation of the Supervisor of Properties."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the City Engineer be approved.

3. Sewer Reconstruction in the Lane North of Kingsway
from Windsor Street to St. Catherines Street

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"The lane north of Kingsway from Windsor Street to St. Catherines is scheduled for paving. The old sewer (constructed 1914) has deteriorated and should be replaced prior to paving at an estimated cost of \$22 000. Funds are available from Sewers Capital Account 118/7904 - 'Replacement - Unappropriated.'

I recommend that \$22 000 be appropriated from Account No. 118/7904 for reconstruction of this sewer."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the City Engineer be approved.

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Manager's Report, October 26, 1979 . . . (BUILDING: A-4 - 1)

BUILDING AND PLANNING MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

1. Illegal Suites

The Director of Permits and Licenses reports as follows:

"In 1960, City Council adopted a policy for the elimination of all illegal suites in RS-1 Districts within a period of ten years. To do this, the RS-1 Districts were inspected, and amenity ratings were established as "Good", where the buildings were of newer construction; "Fair", where there was a mixture of newer and older buildings; and "Poor", where the area consisted entirely of older buildings.

Council members and officials visited a number of properties containing illegal suites and established a quality rating consisting of "Good", where the dwelling unit complied with the By-law; "Fair", where the dwelling unit lacked either one plumbing fixture or did not maintain the required ceiling height; and "Poor", where there were two or more deficiencies, i.e., plumbing and ceiling height. Based on this information, time limits for the removal of illegal accommodation were established. These time limits were based on the amenity rating of the area and the quality of the accommodation. A program was then initiated for the removal of illegal suites.

Due to a housing shortage, City Council, by four resolutions over the years, instructed the Director of Planning to renew Development Permits until December 31, 1974. The last resolution respecting these illegal suites (700 to 800) was passed on December 10, 1974, whereby Council instructed the Director of Permits and Licenses to temporarily withhold enforcement action on illegal suites in the RS-1 areas with respect to which a Development Permit expired on December 31, 1974.

To partly resolve the problem, Council, through a plebiscite, established RS-1A, One Family Dwelling Districts in 1977. This new zone permitted the conversion of a building into a Two-Family Dwelling for a limited period of five years, provided that the owner registered an agreement pursuant to Section 24A of the Land Registry Act against the subject property, which stated that the owner shall be the principal occupant of one of the dwelling units. This new zone was established in two small areas in the City, one on the East side and one on the West side of the City. While this new zone solved a small part of the problem, there are between 700 to 800 illegal suites in the RS-1 areas still affected by the December 10, 1974 resolution.

Council adopted a Hardship Policy in 1962, and has reviewed this policy during the years establishing guidelines on which a case may be dealt with. Our records show that over 4,000 Hardship Applications have been dealt with since 1965. Considering the number of applications, and the very small number of appeals that have been made to Council during these years, the policy and guidelines appear to be working well.

As can be seen, two policies apply to illegal suites and to start normal enforcement action against the 700 to 800 illegal suites that are under the moratorium of December 10, 1974, would merely be a method of bringing all illegal suites under one policy.

In view of the guidelines that have been established, and the apparent success of the Hardship Policy, it is therefore recommended that the December 10, 1974 Council resolution be rescinded and that normal enforcement action be commenced with respect to the 700 to 800 illegal suites."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendation of the Director of Permits and Licenses be approved.

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2. Commercial Drive Beautification:
Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Contribution

The Director of Planning and the City Engineer report as follows:

"The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council approve the appropriation of funds necessary to allow N.I.P. funded improvements for Commercial Drive to proceed.

BACKGROUND

On July 12, 1977 Council approved the Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Concept Plan which includes an allocation of \$175,000.00 for a 'basic beautification scheme' and to 'stimulate property owners' financial participation in more complete beautification of Commercial Drive.

A scheme of beautification was developed for the whole commercial district from Venables to Broadway to use N.I.P. funds for overall improvements including ornamental pedestrian lighting, street trees, street furniture, limited landscaping, benches and water fountains. Sidewalk beautification in the core area is proposed to be undertaken as a local improvement requiring property owner contribution. For the core area sidewalk improvements - from Charles Street to Third Avenue (Appendix I) - three schemes of varying decorative treatments were proposed with merchants expressing support for the simpler and cheaper scheme. This more popular sidewalk beautification scheme has been developed into a more comprehensive design and will be reported to Council in the near future as a Local Improvement. The intent at this time is to begin implementation of the N.I.P. funded items so that these visible improvements will encourage property owners to support the local improvement for sidewalk work in the core area. At present funds for sidewalk improvements are not available from the Streets Five-Year Plan and would have to be made available from other sources.

N.I.P. FUNDED IMPROVEMENTS

Merchants along Commercial Drive from Venables to Broadway have expressed general support to the N.I.P. funded improvements (illustrated in Appendix II). Project design detailing for the beautification plan has reached a completion stage permitting implementation of the N.I.P. sponsored works outside the core area. Work may now proceed in these fringe areas (Venables to Charles and Third to Broadway) without affecting the more extensive sidewalk improvements proposed in the core area. N.I.P. sponsored work in the core area will be scheduled to coincide with the results of the local improvement if it is successful. The City Engineer estimates that the proposed N.I.P. improvements will cost an estimated \$175,000.00 (see Appendix III).

The Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Committee believes that the beautification of Commercial Drive will provide a very visible form of neighbourhood improvement and recommends that Council approve the appropriation of funds to allow this project to be implemented.

MAINTENANCE

The City Engineer notes that City Council, while considering the Departmental Budget, Engineering Department Review, and report on Municipal Services, requested to be advised where higher maintenance costs would be incurred as a result of a special street improvement project.

It should be noted that this project is the first phase of a larger project which will later include improved sidewalks with general architectural features. Except for some street furniture items proposed and pedestrian lighting, the first phase (N.I.P. funded) improvements consist basically of standard treatments such as trees and litter containers. Nevertheless, additional maintenance expenditures will be incurred and will have to be provided in Departmental budgets. The estimated costs are as follows:

Landscaping and tree maintenance	\$ 5 300
Sanitation	\$ 2 100
Street lighting - energy & maintenance costs	\$ 3 000
Street furniture	\$ 1 000
	<u>\$ 11 400</u>

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Clause 2 continued

On this basis, an additional \$11 400 will be required in the Engineering Department Budget commencing in 1980.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director of Planning and the City Engineer recommend:

- A. THAT City Council approve the appropriation of \$175,000.00 from the Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Social Recreational Account 898/9404 for the installation of basic beautification features on Commercial Drive with costs to be shared as follows:

C.M.H.C.	(50%)	\$ 87,500
Province of B.C.	(25%)	\$ 43,750
City of Vancouver	(25%)	\$ 43,750
		<u>\$175,000</u>

- B. That City Council approve the allocation of an additional \$11,400 to the City Engineer's 1980 Annual Maintenance Budget. "

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the above recommendations of the City Engineer and Director of Planning be approved.

INFORMATION

3. 3837 Point Grey Road - D.P.A. No. 85299

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"Development Permit Application No. 85299 has been filed by Mr. R. Tobin, on behalf of the Jericho Tennis Club, to add to the existing squash building and to relocate four (4) existing tennis courts.

This Development Permit Application is being referred to Council for information in accordance with Council's resolution, which states that Development Permit Applications for conditional uses and requests for special relaxation in the designated priority areas of the north side of Point Grey Road are to be brought to the attention of Council or the Planning and Development Committee.

The proposed development is a conditional use in the RT-2 District.

The drawings submitted with the application indicate a 111.11 m² (1196 sq. ft.) addition to the south side of the existing squash building to provide one (1) additional squash court.

The drawings further indicate the relocation of four (4) existing tennis courts on the westerly portion of the site to provide additional off-street parking spaces. More than the maximum required parking spaces will then be provided.

The existing club is non-conforming to the regulations of the Zoning and Development By-law, with respect to Floor Space Ratio (ie: 0.77 existing). The development exceeds the permitted Floor Space Ratio as the floor area calculations include a recently approved air-supported structure over existing tennis courts during the winter months. Further, the Zoning and Development By-law states that the depth of a riparian site, for the purpose of calculating Floor Space Ratio, shall be 36.576 m (120').

The development as proposed, including the squash court addition and the temporary air supported structure, will increase the Floor Space Ratio to 0.79 and will require the approval of the Board of Variance. The development, not including the temporary air-supported structure, would meet the permitted Floor Space Ratio of 0.60.

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Clause 3 continued

The Director of Planning is prepared to approve Development Permit Application No. 85299 (if approved by the Board of Variance), but before finalizing it, is referring it to City Council for information, in accordance with Council's resolution of August 14, 1979."

The City Manager submits the foregoing report for the INFORMATION of City Council.

4. Block Bros. Development, Vicinity of 1st Avenue and Sasamat Street and 4439 West 2nd Avenue

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"On October 15, Council members received copies of a nine-page letter-petition prepared by Mr. Frank Kaplan of 4430 West 2nd Avenue, respecting the above subject, which was addressed to the Director of Planning and the Director of Permits and Licenses.

Consultations have been held with responsible staff of the Planning and Permits and Licenses Departments and all of the matters contained in the petition are currently being investigated with a view to providing an oral and written report to a special public meeting to be convened on Monday, November 5, at 4:00 P.M., in No. 1 Committee Room at City Hall.

All petitioners, other potentially interested residents of the area, the developer, his architect and all Council members are being invited to the meeting. Alderman Harcourt, as Chairman of the Planning and Development Committee, has volunteered to chair the meeting, which will be attended upon by staff representations of the Planning, Permits and Licenses and Engineering Departments.

Mr. Dave McDonald, Zoning Planner, is co-ordinating the City staff response on behalf of the Director of Planning and is maintaining liaison with Mr. Kaplan, who has been advised that the development permit application respecting 4439 West 2nd Avenue will not be given final consideration without prior consultation with affected property owners in the area. A copy of the Development Permit Staff Committee minutes of October 17, at which the development permit application for a one-family dwelling at 4439 West 2nd Avenue was considered and deferred, is on file with the Director of Planning."

The City Manager submits the foregoing report for the INFORMATION of City Council.

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MANAGER'S REPORT, October 26, 1979 (FINANCE: A7-1)

FINANCE MATTERSRECOMMENDATIONS1. Investment Matters (Various Funds) September 1979

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

(a) Security Transactions during the month of September 1979.

(b) Summary of Securities held by the General and Capital Accounts.

(a) SECURITY TRANSACTIONS DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 19791. GENERAL AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS (PURCHASES)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Security</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Maturity Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Term Days</u>	<u>Annual Yield %</u>
<u>Chartered Bank Deposit Receipts and Government Notes</u>						
Sept. 4	Bank of British Columbia	Sept. 5/79	\$ 1,000,308.22	\$ 1,000,000.00	1	11.25
5	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	Sept. 6/79	997,241.38	996,927.28	1	11.50
6	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	Sept. 11/79	1,001,301.37	1,000,000.00	5	9.50
6	Bank of British Columbia	Oct. 15/79	3,037,407.95	3,000,000.00	39	11.67
6	Bank of British Columbia	Feb. 15/80	1,580,689.32	1,500,000.00	162	12.12
11	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	Mar. 7/80	1,059,252.05	1,000,000.00	178	12.15
14	Bank of British Columbia	Sept. 20/79	1,251,797.95	1,250,000.00	6	8.75
17	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	Sept. 18/79	1,500,478.77	1,500,000.00	1	11.65
18	Bank of British Columbia	Mar. 14/80	1,588,512.33	1,500,000.00	178	12.10
19	Mercantile Bank of Canada	Dec. 3/79	1,536,678.08	1,500,000.00	75	11.90
20	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	Feb. 15/80	1,048,657.53	1,000,000.00	148	12.00
26	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	Sept. 27/79	2,000,646.58	2,000,000.00	1	11.80
27	Mercantile Bank of Canada	Mar. 14/80	1,583,689.73	1,500,000.00	169	12.05
28	Banque Canadienne Nationale	Oct. 2/79	1,001,013.70	1,000,000.00	4	9.25
			<u>\$20,187,674.96</u>	<u>\$19,746,927.28</u>		

2. DEBT CHARGES EQUALIZATION FUND (PURCHASES)Chartered Bank Deposit Receipts and Government Notes

Sept. 27	Toronto Dominion Bank	Nov. 13/79	\$ 3,755,266.85	\$ 3,700,000.00	47	11.60
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Clause No. 1 cont'd:

3. SINKING FUND TRANSACTIONS (PURCHASES)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Security</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Maturity Value</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Term Yrs.Mos.</u>	<u>Yield %</u>
<u>Debentures</u>							
Sept. 24	City of Vancouver 6.00%	June 15/80	\$ 7,000.00	95.93	\$ 6,715.10	-/9	12.00
<u>Chartered Bank Deposit Receipts and Government Notes</u>							
							<u>Days</u>
Sept. 27	Toronto Dominion Bank	Nov. 13/79	4,059,747.95		4,000,000.00	47	11.60
			<u>\$4,066,747.95</u>		<u>\$4,006,715.10</u>		

4. CEMETERY CARE FUND TRANSACTIONS (PURCHASES)

<u>Debentures</u>							<u>Yrs.Mos.</u>
Sept. 18	City of Vancouver 9.25%	Sept. 1/81	\$ 1,000.00	95.50	\$ 955.00	1/11	11.90

(b) SUMMARY OF SECURITIES HELD BY THE GENERAL AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS ONLY - AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 1979

<u>Type of Security</u>	<u>Par or Maturity Value</u>	<u>Cash or Book Value</u>
<u>Short Term</u>		
Chartered Bank Deposit Receipts and Government Notes	\$ 122,262,333.61	\$ 116,997,784.20

The Director of Finance recommends that the above transactions be approved."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Finance be approved.

2. Interest Allowed on Prepayment of Real Property Tax

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

"Section 412 of the Vancouver Charter enables City Council to determine, by by-law, the interest rate allowed and terms and conditions applicable to the prepayment of property taxes.

Our present interest of 7½% per annum is not in keeping with current short-term interest rates and I therefore believe the City should increase its prepayment interest to 10% per annum which is more representative of current market conditions. This rate to be effective on November 1, 1979.

The Director of Legal Services has prepared the necessary amending by-law and it is submitted to Council concurrently with this report.

I therefore recommend that Council approve the increase in the interest rate payable by the City on real property tax prepayments from 7½% to 10% and amend By-law 4804 accordingly, effective November 1, 1979"

The City Manager RECOMMENDS the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Finance be approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT, October 26, 1979 (FINANCE: A7-3)

3. Ukrainian Museums of Canada - Vancouver Branch

The Director of Social Planning reports as follows:

"PURPOSE

The Ukrainian Museum, located in the Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church at 154 East 10th Avenue in Vancouver, has applied to the Provincial Government for \$1,500 and in order to qualify for these funds they require a letter of support from City Council. This is a fairly common requirement of Non Profit Associations applying for Provincial funds. The purpose of this report is to ask City Council to endorse the Ukrainian Museum grant application.

BACKGROUND

The Museum was opened in 1956. It occupies about 500 square feet in the Church on East 10th. It is operated by volunteers on a budget of about \$2,000 per year. Their displays include costumes, embroidery, tools, musical instruments and ceremonial handicrafts. Some items reflect 100 years and more of Ukrainian culture.

The \$1,500 will be used to document their collection by updating records, registering and cataloguing their possessions. The money will also be used to pay an honorarium and to purchase equipment.

The Ukrainian Museum is a registered member of the Provincial Museums Association and has good liaison with the Centennial Museum. It is the only museum of its kind in B.C. Their modest grant application is supported by Rob Watt, Chief Curator of the Centennial Museum.

No City funds are requested.

The Director of Social Planning recommends that:

City Council endorse the work of the Ukrainian Museum and support their application to the Provincial Government for a grant of \$1,500."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Social Planning be approved.

4. Bank Accounts Required for City Business

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

"It has been the policy for the Director of Finance to report to Council each time a new bank account is required to conduct city business. This applies only to chequeing accounts, since on April 19, 1977 Council adopted a recommendation allowing the Director of Finance to open Transfer Accounts with the City's banker, as required, for administrative efficiency. Transfer accounts allow for the deposit of City funds which are automatically transferred to the City's General Account.

Since 1977 there have been a number of requests for imprest (petty cash) chequeing accounts and another request is pending approval. The use of chequeing accounts is becoming more prevalent for security reasons and through increasing demands for ready sources of funds to handle expenditures of a routine nature. These accounts operate in the same fashion as a petty cash fund except that a bank account has the advantage of better security of funds than cash being held in an office. The Internal Auditor conducts regular audits and an annual review at year-end of all petty cash or chequeing accounts.

The request at this time is to extend the authority of the Director of Finance to open chequeing bank accounts at any convenient bank for the conduct of City business on an imprest account basis in special circumstances where it is warranted. This is for administrative efficiency and protection of the City funds and does not effect the expenditures or revenues of the City.

Clause No. 4 cont'd:

It is therefore recommended that the Director of Finance be authorized to open chequeing bank accounts with any of the Canadian Chartered Banks in the City for the purpose of setting up imprest accounts on behalf of the City Departments and to name the signatories to such accounts as required from time to time."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Finance be approved.

5. Local Area Planning Program - Hastings-Sunrise

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"City Council on October 2, 1979 approved recommendations of the Director of Planning to:

Approve the retention of a temporary Planner II, Planning Assistant III and Clerk-Typist II for two years for assignment to the Hastings-Sunrise Local Area Planning program and report back in advance of the 1980 Operating Budget with a detailed program budget, including funding for a site office.

The purpose of this report is to seek early approval of the detailed budget. Lead time is necessary to negotiate for office space, post and interview staff and make necessary arrangements for maintaining continuity of existing programs.

City Council has already approved, by its resolution of October 2nd, funding for the staff positions.

Therefore, the Director of Planning recommends:

THAT City Council approve the detailed budget outlined in Appendix I for Hastings-Sunrise Local Area Planning Program in advance of the 1980 Operating Budget."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Planning be approved.

6. Assessment Options for 1980

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

"1980 Assessed Values

Each year at this time the B. C. Assessment Authority provides the City with an analysis of the expected changes in assessed values in the coming year. This is to enable Council to choose which option property will be assessed under for general purposes in the coming year. The choice of an option for assessment is required by statute to be made by November 10 each year.

There is a choice of four options (A-D). Option A has been chosen by Council for the two years since the coming into force of the Assessment Amendment Act. This year the Province has amended Option A by setting the 1980 percentages as follows:

	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>
Residential	15%	14.5%
Commercial	25%	25%
Industrial	30%	30%
Utilities	30%	30%
Machinery/Equipment	30%	25%
Farms	15%	10%

Clause No. 6 Continued

"The option chosen sets the percentages by which actual value is multiplied to become the assessed value on which each property is taxed. Under Option A properties with large increases in assessed value due to the introduction of the Assessment Amendment Act are phased in.

Option B is the same as Option A with no phase-in. Very few properties have qualified for phase-in on the general roll in Vancouver and this is the last year of phase-in so that this option is probably not worth considering.

Option C sets the percentage for assessed value at the same percentage as actually occurred in 1979. Unless there are large adverse changes proposed in Option A there doesn't seem to be any rationale for maintaining the status quo in this way.

Option D sets the relationships between classes by their relative market value, i.e. all properties are assessed at the same percent of actual value. This option causes large property tax shifts onto residential property and has been twice previously rejected by Council.

Therefore, the comparison of percentage shares of taxes under various options for the general purposes roll will not be discussed further here. The Options Studies give further information on shifts in tax burden as a result of the combination of increases in value of real estate and the new Option A formula.

Information provided by the Assessment Authority indicates that even though residential property will be assessed at a lower per cent of actual value than in 1979, total assessed value is expected to increase in the single family sector more than in the commercial and industrial sectors. This means that the residential share of total taxes in 1980 will increase by about 1.6 per cent. What is happening is that increases in relative real estate values are shifting more of the burden of the tax onto residential property but the Province is shifting some of that away by amending Option A. The net result for 1980 of the Province's revised Option A is shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1SHARES OF TOTAL TAXES

(Total taxes includes general, school,
hospital, Regional District, B.C.A.A.)

	1979	1980	Per cent Change in Share
Single Family & Duplex	36.85%	37.45%	1.63%
Other Residential	14.20	13.95	(1.76)
Utilities	3.85	3.67	(4.68)
Industrial	4.49	4.29	(4.45)
Business & Other	38.64	38.68	0.10
Misc. (Farm, Seasonal)	0.08	.08	-
Hydro	1.89	1.88	(0.53)
	100.00	100.00	

The Options Studies are indicative of the shifts that can be expected in 1980, involving properties on the 1979 roll as of the date the Options Studies are calculated. Between that time and the issue of a new assessment roll, new construction will be added to the roll and further refinements to the actual values will be made. It is expected that there will be further increases in the residential sector and changes will also occur in the commercial and industrial sectors. The overall effect of these will not be known until May or June of 1980 so that the figures presented here will be different at the time the mill rate is set.

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Clause No. 6 Continued

"Request to the Province to Change Option A

On October 17, 1978 Council requested further study and consideration of the following recommendation:

'Council request the Provincial Cabinet to change Option A so that industrial property and machinery/equipment are assessed at 25 per cent of actual value rather than 30 per cent and that the Director of Finance be directed to draft an appropriately detailed brief to the Province in support of this position.'

This issue has been partially addressed by the Province's change in Option A for 1980. However, a separate report will review the previous work in this area, report the findings of further analysis and request that Council make a final decision on this issue.

Option for 1980 General Purposes Assessment

The effect of Option A in 1980 appears to lead to a small shift in the burden of the property tax from the industrial/utility sector to the residential sector. This is mainly due to differential increases in real estate values. For reasons reviewed above, none of the other options are superior to Option A. Therefore, the Director of Finance recommends:

THAT Council choose Option A for the calculation of assessed values for the general purposes roll in 1980."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Finance be approved.

7. Maximum Fines - By-laws

The Director of Legal Services reports as follows:

"Many of the more commonly used by-laws have a maximum fine of \$500. This was a limit imposed by the Charter some years ago. This limit was removed to enable the \$1,000 limit, set out in the Summary Convictions Act, to apply. That limit has now been raised to \$2,000. It would seem appropriate to amend those by-laws which are used on a daily basis so that the maximum fine is raised to \$2,000.

The by-laws which it is recommended be changed are:

Building	Sunday Entertainment
Plumbing	Vehicles for Hire
License	Vehicle Licensing
Untidy Premises	Trailer Court
Club Regulations	Electrical
Second Hand Dealers	Sign
Street Vending	Standards of Maintenance
Health	Sundry Business
Noise Control	Zoning and Development
Fire	Shops Closing

I recommend that the above by-laws be amended accordingly."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Director of Legal Services be approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT, OCTOBER 26, 1979 (PROPERTIES: A9 - 1)

PROPERTY MATTERS

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Lease of Britannia Community Services Centre
Coffee Shop to Stothert & Kirby

The Supervisor of Properties and Director of Legal Services report as follows:

"When the Britannia Community Services Centre started up in 1976 Stothert and Kirby were given a three-year lease of the coffee shop commencing in June of that year. The City arranged for installation of all kitchen equipment. The rent was a minimum \$150.00 per month plus the amount by which 2% of annual gross income exceeded \$1,800.00. The operation was not successful and on December 8th, 1978, Council authorized the termination of this lease and the leasing of the coffee shop to Customized Food Services Management Ltd. on the same terms and conditions. Customized Food Services Management Ltd. could not make a go of this operation either and have abandoned the venture.

Stothert and Kirby owe the City \$2,385.94. This is principally arrears of rent but also includes a claim arising from a final inventory. However, shortly after starting up, Stothert and Kirby suffered a loss of \$1,578.24 because of a fire in the kitchen. The kitchen fan motor was overloaded and shorted out. The operators had nothing to do with the installation of this equipment and are merely innocent victims. They have made a detailed claim to the City on account of this loss. If this loss is set off against what is owing to the City under the lease the City has a net claim of \$807.70. Stothert and Kirby in total have lost approximately \$14,000.00 in the operation of this coffee shop. In light of this fact and in light of the fact that it is arguable who should bear the loss of the fire, it is recommended that the City accept from Stothert and Kirby \$807.70 in full settlement of all City claims arising from the lease of the coffee shop."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report of the Supervisor of Properties and Director of Legal Services be approved.

2. Rent Review - 4497 Belmont Avenue

The Supervisor of Properties reports as follows:

"City Council on October 3, 1978 approved a lease arrangement of a store and living quarters at 4497 Belmont Avenue, Lot H, Block 130, D.L. 540 for a period of three years at a rental of \$160.00 per month.

This lease was to be subject to a rental review every year and following negotiations the owners have agreed to a rental increase to \$175.00 per month effective January 1, 1980.

The Supervisor of Properties is of the opinion that this increase represents fair market rental value and recommends that the rent for 4497 Belmont be increased to \$175.00 per month effective January 1, 1980."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Properties be approved.

3. B.C. Hydro Central Park Substation
Site - New Option Agreement

The Supervisor of Properties reports as follows:

"On May 31, 1968 Council approved the overall concept plan for the South-East Sector (now known as Champlain Heights), which plan included proposed conditions for the sale of a portion of land to B.C. Hydro to create a site for the development of a substation. The conditions were:

- "(a) An agreement shall be entered into with the City that B.C. Hydro will purchase all remaining private lands within the proposed site.
- (b) Submission of a scheme of development satisfactory to the Technical Planning Board, which scheme of development will include a suitable timing for the removal of existing buildings."

B.C. Hydro met the conditions and on June 11, 1974 Council approved the two-stage sale of:

Lot 99, D.L. 339, Plan 14104 (4.56 acres)

AND

Portions of streets, to be closed eventually and consolidated with Lot 99 and the private lands purchased by B.C. Hydro.

Lot 99 was paid for and an agreement was entered into covering the various other aspects of the two-stage sale. An option to purchase in favour of the City was registered against Lot 99 to ensure development of a sub-station is commenced before January 1st, 1990.

B.C. Hydro have advised that the construction of the sub-station has been deferred and they are requesting an extension of time within which to commence construction of this facility. In addition, a Development Permit was issued in 1979 for a micro-wave tower to be built on a portion of Lot 99, and Hydro are further requesting that the option to purchase be amended so that in the event it is exercised by the City, the micro-wave site will be excluded from the repurchase by the deposit of a subdivision plan.

The Planning Department have reviewed the back ground relating to this sale and find no reason to object to B.C. Hydro's requests. However, the Law Department feel it preferable to draw a new option document pursuant to the new Perpetuities Act and B.C. Hydro concur with the drawing of a new option to incorporate their requested amendments.

The Supervisor of Properties recommends that a new option document satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services be prepared to:

- (1) extend the time in which B.C. Hydro have to commence construction of a power substation from January 1, 1990 to January 1, 2000.
- (2) Permit resubdivision of the site at Hydro's cost to exclude the micro-wave tower site from the repurchase in the event the City exercises it's option."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Properties be approved.

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MANAGER'S REPORTDATE October 22, 1979

TO: VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Framework for a Vancouver Energy Strategy

CLASSIFICATION: RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"BACKGROUND

On August 28th, 1979, Council considered a letter from Toronto Alderman Richard Gilbert proposing a conference on 'Energy in Cities' to be held in Toronto on January 31st and February 1st, 1980. Alderman Gilbert requested support of the proposal.

Council resolved:

THAT the City of Vancouver support the proposed conference and authorize up to two staff members and two members of Council to attend.

FURTHER THAT a City of Vancouver position paper be prepared and information on the agenda for the conference be requested as soon as possible.

On September 21st, 1979, Alderman Harcourt requested that the City Planning Department prepare a draft statement of City energy intent to fulfil the second clause of Council's resolution. The statement, entitled 'Framework for a Vancouver Energy Strategy' was considered by the City's Conserver Society Steering Committee on October 18th, 1979, and some modifications were made in response to the Committee's advice.

DRAFT STATEMENT

A draft of 'Framework for a Vancouver Energy Strategy' is attached as Appendix I. The proposed statement is liberally adapted from that for Portland, Oregon, a city of similar size, economy, and climate to our own. The major difference is that Portland went through an extensive public information and participation program to arrive at its energy policy. The Director of Planning believes that a public planning program is necessary to build lasting understanding and commitment to energy conservation and that a simple policy statement (no matter how rational and elegantly worded) will not substitute for the tough, slow job of building community will to take individual and collective action.

The draft statement is, therefore, intended not as a definitive, final statement of City energy policy; but rather as a beginning, skeletal basis around which public discussion and policy debate can take place. From that dialogue, involving all sectors of the Vancouver economy, a positive and practical City Energy Strategy should eventually emerge.

The proposed Framework has three basic parts: (1) a general goal of civic intent; (2) a set of broad policies in support of that goal; (3) a list of possible work in pursuit of each policy. Discussion at the Conserver Society Steering Committee demonstrated that the policies have the potential of being quite contentious and the possible work may imply actions which appear counter to other city and societal objectives. Further discussion and planning of energy policies and actions needs to take place in the context of the other qualities the City wishes to retain. The sooner Vancouver confronts the energy problem in open discussion, the more able it will be to avoid severe solutions which do not respect the community's other values and goals.

RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Planning recommends:

- A. THAT Council adopt the draft 'Framework for a Vancouver Energy Strategy' as its preliminary statement of energy intent for public discussion and debate.
- B. THAT it authorize the presentation of the Framework at the Toronto Conference.
- C. THAT the Framework be made available for general discussion and debate within the Vancouver community through:
 - i) Publication in the Quarterly Review;
 - ii) Referral to the Vancouver City Planning Commission for consideration in its Goals for Vancouver Program;
 - iii) Other means to be identified by the Director of Planning.
- D. THAT the Director of Planning report back early in 1980 on options and suggested staff allocations for pursuing some of the possible work suggested in the Framework."

The City Manager notes that the proposed statement and program go well beyond energy conservation within civic operations, and that it will probably be difficult to develop a final energy statement and program without some funding from the senior governments.

Approval of this report would, however, continue the development of a meaningful energy position for Vancouver and the City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendations of the Director of Planning be approved.

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MANAGER'S REPORT

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DATE October 23, 1979

TO: VANCOUVER CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Integration of Park Board and City's Accounting Systems

CLASSIFICATION: RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Finance and Superintendent of the Park Board report as follows:

"The Standing Committee on Finance and Administration on November 23, 1978 considered a report from the Director of Finance of the September 30, 1978 Review of Operating Budget Revenue and Expenditure. That report contained the Director of Finance's concerns respecting the existence of a separate accounting system for the Park Board; difficulties in obtaining current and accurate information; and the delay in recording transactions between the City and the Park Board. As a result the following recommendation of the Committee was made and adopted by City Council on December 12, 1978.

"That the Director of Finance investigate and report back to Council on the feasibility and advantages of integrating the Park Board accounting system into the City's system."

The feasibility of integration has been investigated and it has been determined that it is feasible and desirable to include the Park Board in the City's accounting system. This has been determined by an examination and discussions between Park Board Financial Services and City Finance Department staff and officials. The various accounting transactions have each been identified and a method determined to include each into the City's accounting systems. (A detailed description of the methods is on file with the Director of Finance and the Superintendent of Parks). The integration would be done in such a way that Park Board transactions are discernible from other City accounting transactions. Simply, Park Board transactions would be made to conform to City accounting system requirements of format and content and run through the City's systems. The most major change that can be foreseen would be in adopting the City's Account Code system.

The 1980 budget preparation and review would be on the basis of the 1979 code system with a conversion to any new coding system adapted prior to entry of budget figures in the 1980 accounts.

Integration, if approved, would be effective from January 1, 1980. The required training and familiarization of Park Board staff of system changes and new account code assignments would be spread over the next two month period. It is estimated that approximately \$20,000 to \$25,000 of additional cost may be needed for overtime, temporary help, new forms printing and micro-film equipment.

The integration of Park Board accounting would be undertaken with these understandings:

- The authority of the Park Board and the Superintendent of the Board in budget and financial matters would remain as at present (see Section on budget activities for minor exception).
- All of the financial documents related to the Park Board operation would remain in the possession of the Board.
- The Park Board capital, revenue budget, and operating accounts would be assigned separate account code blocks within the City's account code system and regular City financial reports would be supplied to the Board of its accounts.
- That no staff changes in terms of personnel, job classifications, or salaries would take place initially, but all Financial Services positions in the Board would be reviewed in a year to determine the effects of the change.
- That the City Finance Department will, jointly with the Park Board, undertake to develop and implement with a target date of June 30, 1980, a costing system (work order system) satisfactory to the Superintendent of the Park Board and Director of Finance.

"The advantages and disadvantages of the proposed integration are as follows:

ADVANTAGES OF INTEGRATION

1. Conformity of Park Board with the accounting systems and financial reports of all other City Departments and Boards which has concurrent and future benefits of:
 - common references and terminology
 - interpretive reports between different coding systems no longer required,
 - increased mobility of staff between offices and fewer learning experiences,
 - City system improvements become immediately available to the Board.
2. More timely financial information reports will be available through:
 - faster processing of information data by City Accounting staff immediately correcting minor coding and keypunch errors,
 - financial ledgers and automatic management reports being produced earlier. Currently City reports are produced about the 15th of the following month, Park Board reports are produced a week or two later,
 - elimination of one month delay transferring Park Board financial information into City records and vice versa,
 - City adopting a four weekly reporting cycle in 1980.
3. Automatic computer calculation and loading of supervision, overhead, and fringe benefit costs become available, with a savings in staff and processing time.
4. Accumulating financial information becomes available avoiding the need to search through several monthly records in analysis work.
5. Billings to external organizations and senior governments may be processed earlier due to elimination of one month delay.

DISADVANTAGES OF INTEGRATION

1. Initial conversion disadvantages will take the form of some increased and changed workloads in the areas of:
 - training in new transaction procedures,
 - adoption of new account codes,
 - revision of Park Board forms to coincide with City coding practices and requirements.
2. Ongoing procedural disadvantages will be in the areas of:
 - increased coding and reporting requirements for some transactions,
 - centralized vendor coding and the assigning of account codes will require close liaison with City Accounting and Budget Offices rather than direct action.
3. Source documents for Park Board transactions appearing in City ledgers will not be available to City accounting staff except through enquiry to the Park Board.
4. Some detail information now evident in Park Board ledgers will be summarized in City ledgers requiring following of audit trail back to detail listings and source documents.

PROCEDURE AND POLICY CHANGES

Integration would require decisions in some policy and procedural areas which will have some affect on the degree of advantage to be gained. The changes are included in Appendix A of this report for record purposes and will be resolved as the integration proceeds.

"COSTING SYSTEM"

The Superintendent of the Board is most desirous of having the Board's financial systems incorporate a work order costing system for more effective control of works projects. The current Park Board and City systems do not offer this facility, but it will be a priority in the revision of the City's financial systems in the next six months. In the interim, it is suggested that a manual costing system be developed for selected projects of the Board to provide the operational control desired. The system would basically require daily or weekly reports from project managers on labour materials and equipment, which could be quickly costed and regular reports prepared for the project manager. The adoption of the City's accounting system by the Park Board would, in the opinion of the Park Board accountant and the City accountant, result in some time-savings for the Park Board's receivables clerks and provide the necessary time to operate this manual system.

It is noted that the Park Board is an ideal area to carry out a 'pilot' fully-automated work order system in order to assess its desirability in implementing it in other areas of the City needing expressed management information. The fact that the present Park's Superintendent is knowledgeable in and has expressed a need for the system is of benefit in implementing a new system.

BUDGET AUTHORITIES

Currently the Park Board is required to submit for Council approval transfers of funds within the Park Board Operating Budget in excess of \$5,000 and within its Capital Budget transfers in excess of \$25,000. A policy change that is desired and is agreeable to the Director of Finance is that the above limitation only applies to transfers of funds between organization areas and functional or facility budget totals in the Operating Budget and between projects in the Capital Budget.

Specifically in the Operating Budget for example, the maintenance budget appropriations for an area or facility may be altered without reference to City Council in the elements of that function (i.e. labour, material, equipment, supplies, etc.) (level 1) provided the sum appropriations (level 2) for the particular area, function or facility do not change. This means that funds may not be transferred to another area, function or facility without adherence to the transfer of appropriation limits or reporting requirements.

In the Capital Budget, appropriations are generally approved by Council on a project basis. The understanding would be that breakdowns of approved project appropriations for the purposes of isolating project elements and cost control and transfers of funds between those elements would be allowed without reference to Council. Transfers between projects, however, would require adherence to the transfer of appropriation limits and reporting requirements.

In all cases of transfers of funds, it will be necessary to advise the City Budget Office of the requested change for action in the financial record system.

The above is recommended by the Director of Finance in order to provide the Park Board with increased cost and budget building information without increasing the budget "restrictions" but maintaining a reasonable overall budget control.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS - APPROVAL

The foregoing report has been reviewed with the Superintendent of Parks, senior Park Board and Finance Department staff who are in agreement with the proposed integration of the Park Board and City Accounting Systems including implementation of a "work order" type of management information system for the Park Board.

COST ESTIMATES

It is anticipated that there will be no significant ongoing cost increases to the City or Park Board. However, there are some one time implementation and equipment costs estimating to be \$25,000, as follows:

" Staff Costs - Temporary Help and OvertimeFinance Department

- Accounting, auditing, budgets and Computer Services \$12,000*

Parks Board

- Parks Board Finance and Operating Divisional staff training 8,000
- \$20,000

*Includes estimated \$4,000 towards Computer Services costs associated with review and implementation of a work order system. If additional funds are required, they will be included in the 1980 budget.

Purchase of Equipment and Printing of FormsParks Board

- Microfiche printer, etc. \$ 1,500
- Print new forms 3,500
- \$ 5,000

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director of Finance and the Superintendent of the Park Board recommend that:

- A. The Park Board accounting system be integrated with the City's accounting system.
- B. The understanding in respect of transfer of funds as being within the full authority of the Park Board as contained in the report be approved.
- C. The remaining policy and procedural decisions referred to in the report be considered and resolved as required by Park Board and City officials.
- D. The Director of Finance, Manager of Computer Services, and Superintendent of Parks, proceed immediately to develop a computerized "work order" costing system with a target implementation date of June 30, 1980.
- E. The Park Board staff positions that are affected by these changes be reviewed in a year by the Director of Personnel Services.
- F. Funds amounting to \$25,000 be provided from Contingency Reserve for estimated one-time City and Park Board costs as follows:
 - Temporary help and overtime \$20,000
 - Printing forms and purchase equipment \$ 5,000"

The City Manager RECOMMENDS approval of the above recommendations, subject to the approval of the Board of Parks and Recreation.

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October 26, 1979

TO: Vancouver City Council

SUBJECT: Gastown Community Action Plan

CLASSIFICATION: RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Planning, City Engineer, and Director of Finance report as follows:

"INTRODUCTION

Council has received a report entitled the Gastown Community Action Plan prepared by the Gastown Historic Area Co-ordinating Committee. The Plan is a comprehensive document that makes a number of recommendations. Its Appendix A contains a draft Charter amendment which would enable Council to establish Special Improvement Districts in the City. The recommendations could have very significant impacts on this and other areas of the City.

The purpose of this report is to briefly review the Plan and present initial general staff reaction to its proposals. In addition, this report requires Council direction regarding the appropriateness of creating Special Improvement Districts and seeks Council approval of the commitment of the staff resources necessary to analyse the recommendations, to fully develop the Special Improvement Districts concept, and to evaluate its equity and effectiveness in comparison to alternative procedures.

HISTORY

The Action Plan was prepared under auspices of the Gastown Historic Area Co-ordinating Committee (GHACC). The GHACC is a non-profit group that was established in 1977 and acts as the co-ordinating body with respect to the promotional and developmental efforts of other societies and entrepreneurs in Gastown. The function of the Society is to facilitate economic and architectural preservation and improvement to the Gastown area. Council will recall that the GHACC was the sponsor for the Gastown Galleria Market proposal that was recently considered by Council.

The Gastown Community Action Plan evolved out of a growing concern (1976-1979) with the persistent economic slump that the area was experiencing. Since 1976, retail sales have decreased, vacancy rates have increased and the redevelopment of the area has stagnated and perhaps even reversed. In order to try to combat this economic slump, the GHACC organized a volunteer planning team to review and analyse the situation. The work of this team was reviewed and revised by a subsequent volunteer group and ultimately circulated through the Gastown Community. Out of these discussions, based upon the recommendations for which there was general community support, the Community Action Plan was developed. Basically, the Plan proposes a considerable variety of recommendations designed to correct what are perceived to be the problems of Gastown in order that this commercial/historic site will be able to achieve its maximum potential.

CONTENTS OF PLAN

The Plan's recommendations touch on many areas of responsibility. It proposes changes that will affect the private sector and also all levels of government. It has implications for all other commercial, industrial and residential neighborhoods in the City. Perhaps the principal recommendation concerns the proposal to establish a "Special Improvement District" and an elected Board of Management for the Gastown area with certain taxation and spending powers. In addition, there are recommendations dealing with zoning and land-use, the Building By-law Board of Appeal, seismic risk, taxation and assessment procedures, the building code, the Federal Income Tax Act, the Sign By-law, the Traffic By-law, liquor regulations, designation and design of streets, traffic flow and parking regulations, development of City and privately-owned lands, street improvements and use of sidewalks and streets. While there appears to be merit in many of these recommendations, because of their potentially wide-ranging impacts, before any consideration can be given to implementation, a great deal of staff review and analysis is needed, followed by in depth Council consideration.

PRELIMINARY DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS

Until substantial staff work has been completed, only the following preliminary departmental comments can be made:

ENGINEERING

The City Engineer comments as follows:

"The Gastown Community Action Plan represents a most profound change in Civic Government which will require a great deal of study before rational comments on this Plan can be made. However, a few concerns can be expressed at this time.

The Gastown area includes much of the East Neck of the Downtown which is a most critical corridor for public and private service vehicles, automobiles, transit and utilities. It is important that Council consider the implications of some of the delegation of responsibility being proposed for city property in this area as detrimental effects on this vital corridor could result.

At first glance, the capital costs as well as the additional maintenance costs of a number of the proposals which might be undertaken through the establishment of this Special Improvement District, are very high and would probably be beyond the ability of properties in the Gastown area to financially absorb. This could defeat the objective of revitalizing the area by raising rental rates to such an extent that the desired businesses would be discouraged from entering the area. These high costs would also subsequently require major subsidies for the Gastown area from the other parts of the City. In this regard, the Gastown area has already received a great deal of City funding and now other areas of the City such as Chinatown and the West End should be upgraded to an equivalent standard. It should be noted that except for the Granville Mall, the level of maintenance for Gastown is already higher than for any other area of the City.

Most of the Capital Improvements as well as services which this Plan suggests can be accomplished through our existing Local Improvement Procedure, and whether this special designation would cause these improvements to be carried out more easily and equitably is questioned.

It is also the cause of some concern that the property owners (the group which will pay the proposed special tax) can be outvoted on the Gastown Historical Society's Board of Management and can be forced to pay for improvements they do not want or can afford. This is a further departure from existing policy, as under our existing Local Improvement Procedure the group which pays the tax has the voice in whether or not the project proceeds.

In summary, the physical improvements, servicing and financing proposals in the Gastown Community Action Plan could have far reaching effects on all areas of the City, and should be the object of a great deal of thought and study before any are implemented."

PLANNING

The Director of Planning comments, on the S.I.D. concept, as follows:

"The draft Charter Amendment (Appendix A to the report), if approved and in effect, would not affect the requirements of the Zoning, Subdivision and other By-laws which fall within the jurisdiction of the Director of Planning. Permit requirements, etc. would remain in effect.

It is possible that such S.I.D.'s could proliferate throughout the City. However, the procedure is most likely to be of benefit to commercial areas. Regardless of whether there was one or many S.I.D.'s within the City, the proposal offers many potential benefits to citizens and the City. One of the most important being that local initiative can be more effective and can more directly respond to local needs.

The City Council would retain control over the actions of the Board of Management of the S.I.D. and would be able to closely monitor its actions through budgetary review.

In short, I believe the proposal for a Charter Amendment should be supported. There are a number of positive advantages to the City."

FINANCE

The Director of Finance comments as follows:

"The Gastown Community Action Plan recommends that Council seek a Charter amendment to authorize the City to enact the necessary by-laws to provide for the establishment of a "Special Improvement District" and a Board of Management for the Gastown area. This proposal would mark a major departure from existing City political, administrative and financial procedures and, if approved, would have a very substantial impact. Before any consideration can be given to its implementation, the proposal must be much more fully developed and very carefully reviewed and evaluated. In addition, alternative methods of accomplishing the same objectives must also be considered.

The GHACC has recommended that a "Special Improvement District" be established in Gastown in order to allow the area to implement a system of stable self-management. They feel that it is important that the S.I.D. be run by people within the district as these people, given some access to funds, are best able to manage the operational elements that are specific to the Gastown area. Generally, the GHACC proposal recommends that, given a 67% vote in favour of the concept, an elected Board of Management be empowered to levy a property tax (no estimates of amounts to be levied) on all property owners in the Gastown area (retail, commercial and residential). The Board could then use these funds to hire an area manager, conduct promotional activities, undertake certain improvements in public areas, acquire property or possibly finance improvements to some private properties. All of these activities would be aimed at ensuring that Gastown was able to reach its potential as an historic/commercial site.

Legislation establishing "Improvement Districts" is not totally new in Canada. Ontario has for several years allowed the formation of "Business Improvement Districts" with limited taxation and expenditure authorities. Fairly recent reports indicate that these commercial area organizations have had some success in developing the economic strengths of their neighborhoods. It should be noted that the Ontario B.I.D.'s have much more limited authority than is proposed for the Gastown S.I.D. In Ontario, the activities of the associations are closely monitored and controlled by the municipal government and expenditures are only allowed for either area promotion or capital improvements, beautification or maintenance in public areas. Their expenditure budgets must be approved by Council and taxes may only be levied on area businesses, not property owners. Although only limited information is available, it would seem that the GHACC proposal envisages a relatively more independent organization with both a broader taxation base and wider spending authority. The implications of the proposal and how it will interface with Council's authorities and responsibilities requires much additional consideration.

The Resort Municipality of Whistler has recently been given the authority to establish a "Resort Association" with authorities and responsibilities that seem comparable to what is being proposed in Gastown. However, it is important to note that the creation of the Whistler Association took place prior to the development of the town centre and therefore, the Association was not forced on existing property owners. This gives businesses the opportunity to evaluate the costs and benefits of locating in the town centre and joining the association prior to deciding on location. The need for this special administrative group, with some general taxation and expenditure powers, developed from the requirement to publicize, promote and co-ordinate the major functional change that is taking place in the Whistler Community. Although the Association's powers are rather broad, because the legislation is very recent, there is no experience upon which to judge either the effectiveness or equity of its operation.

The concept of neighborhood associations forming to promote and improve their areas is a common one, especially for commercial/retail areas. These associations are operating in many Vancouver commercial districts and most shopping centres require their merchants to join a similar group. Generally the purpose of these groups is to provide unified promotional campaigns for their area and to jointly attempt to solve problems and/or sponsor improvements. To some extent, the proposed Gastown Board of Management is a more formalized version of these associations. Its purpose is to provide co-ordinated management and to guide and fund promotional and local improvement efforts. The major change, of course, is that after an initial vote in support of forming the S.I.D., neither membership nor financial support is voluntary.

Generally, the purpose of the proposed Gastown S.I.D. is to create, at the neighborhood level, an elected organization with sufficient financial resources that it can effectively manage, promote and improve the Gastown area. To some extent, it provides the area with the resources to meet needs that cannot be or are not being met by Council, in the opinion of the GHACC. Given the involvement of the Association in the community, such a system may have a beneficial impact on the economy and environment of the area. Alternatively, it may simply create a new level of government with all of its associated constraints. Without additional information, it is impossible to forecast its impact or effectiveness.

Based on the information that is currently available, it is only possible to outline some general areas in which we have concerns. They include:

- Powers of Board: Does the Board want Council to delegate some of its powers or is the Board seeking to administer only "additional" authorities? Will the goals and activities of the Society be consistent with those of the Board? With those of Council?
- Use of Tax Revenues: Should the Board be restricted to making "public" purposes expenditures?
- Source of Tax Revenues: Is it equitable that all owners pay or would it be more equitable to allow persons to opt in on a voluntary but permanent basis? Should residential buildings be included? Would a tax on businesses be more appropriate?
- Supervision and Control of Activities: Who and how will the activities of the Board be monitored and controlled by? Who will be ultimately responsible for its acts and/or debts? How will elections be supervised?

Overall, the S.I.D. concept may provide merchants with a vehicle with which they can resolve some of their neighborhood specific problems or, it may simply create new ones. As the S.I.D. procedure may possess some potential benefits, it is probably worth investing the considerable staff time necessary to further develop and evaluate the concept. In this regard, however, it is recognized that there may be political or philosophic difficulties with the concept of elected neighborhood "governments" and, for this reason, the question of future staff involvement and analysis of the concept is submitted for consideration. In the event that Council does not wish this matter pursued, staff will concentrate its efforts on a review of alternative methods of satisfying the needs of the Gastown area."

CONCLUSIONS

The Gastown Community Action Plan contains important proposals for community objectives and for a Special Improvement District procedure to achieve these. A great deal of work has been done by the Gastown business community on this substantive submission and the Gastown Historic Area Committee is to be congratulated.

However, your staff have major concerns, general and in detail, about some of these proposals, and would, at this time, recommend against approval of the SID concept as requested by the Historic Area Committee.

Your officials believe that this submission requires further analysis before a decision is made. Such analysis could concentrate on development and evaluation of the S.I.D. concept, or on alternative mechanisms to achieve the objectives set out in the Plan. Your officials believe the proposal put forward by the GHACC justifies a full review of the S.I.D. concept.

RECOMMENDATION

Your officials recommend that no decision on this submission be made at this time, and that the City Manager be instructed to co-ordinate additional research, analysis, and evaluation of the Gastown Community Action Plan, in consultation with the GHACC, for report back in a time frame which would permit application for a Charter amendment in the spring of 1980, if Council so concludes.

The City Manager RECOMMENDS approval of the above recommendation.

MANAGER'S REPORT

DATE October 23, 1979

TO: Vancouver City Council

SUBJECT: Sale of City Lands

CLASSIFICATION: RECOMMENDATION

The Supervisor of Properties reports as follows:

"On October 2nd, 1979, under the authority of the Property Endowment Fund Board, the following described City-owned lands were advertised for sale. Tenders were opened in public at 9:30 a.m., Monday, October 22nd, 1979, and it is

Recommended that the following offers to purchase, being in each case the highest offer received and representative of current market value, be accepted and approved under the terms and conditions established by Council.

1. Subdivision G except portion included in Plan 4388 and except the west 1.34 metres, of lots 14 to 17, Block 145, D.L. 264A, Plans 1711 and 1771 - W/S 1900
Block Commercial Drive: Zoned: C-2 (Commercial District)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Approx. Size</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Terms</u>
K. Landsberger	9.6m x 27m	\$65,600	City terms at 14%

SUBJECT TO EXISTING MONTH-TO-MONTH TENANCY.

2. Lot 16 except south 2.5 feet, Block 6, S.E.¼ Sec. 26, T.H.S.L., Plan 2588 - S.W. corner William and Skeena Street: Zoned: RS-1 (Single Family Dwelling District)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Approx. Size</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Terms</u>
S. Ivanda	11.34m x 32.77m	\$31,500	City terms at 14%

3. Lot 70 except south 7 feet, Blocks 29 to 31, D.L. 200, Plan 1770. N.E. corner Culloden and 57th Avenue.
Zoned: RS-1 (Single Family Dwelling District)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Approx. Size</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Terms</u>
Paragon Homes Ltd.	7.9m x 42.3m	\$31,560	City terms at 14%

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Properties be approved.

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With respect to (d), Members of the Committee requested that Mr. Floyd give a further update on this matter when he next reports to Committee.

The Members also requested to be notified when this preliminary development permit application is to be considered by the Development Permit Board.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the verbal report on major Development Permit Applications be received.

2. Monthly Status Report on Rezoning Applications

The Committee considered a memo dated October 12, 1979, from the Group Leader, Zoning and Subdivision Group, forwarding the monthly status report of rezoning applications for the month of September, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mr. R. Whitlock, Zoning Division, provided further details of some applications for the Committee. He also noted that a rezoning application would probably be received from the Glad Tidings Temple in view of the Board of Variance decision not to allow their appeal.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the monthly status report of rezoning applications for the month of September, 1979, be received.

Mr. D. McDonald, Zoning Planner, advised the Committee that in the future, the Zoning Division will be preparing a written report of all applications received, including Board of Variance, Subdivision, Strata Titles, rezoning, and development permits.

3. Planning Department Work Programme

The Committee considered a report of the City Manager dated September 19, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), in which the Director of Planning provides information on the Department's work programme for the first half of the year.

The report concludes that the Department is maintaining good progress in its approved work programme, bearing in mind particularly the heavy impact of new development permit activity in the Central Area.

The Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT the report of the City Manager dated September 19, 1979, be received.

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4. Policies and Procedures for Controlling the Development of Residential Facilities for the Handicapped, the Elderly and Others with Special Needs

The Committee considered a report of the City Manager dated September 19, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), in which the Director of Social Planning states that in January, 1979, he advised Council he would be undertaking a review of present guidelines governing locations of Community Residential and Community Care Facilities in the City.

The report states in part:

"As a result of this review, two major problem areas have been identified:

- a) The Definitions of special residential Uses in the Zoning and Development By-law; and
- b) The present locational guideline pertaining to Community Residential Facilities."

It is proposed to use definitions which are mutually exclusive and taken together will be inclusive enough to cover all uses permitted, as well as proposing that terminology used by the City be the same as that used by the Province.

New locational guidelines are proposed that would set minimum distances or buffer zones between special needs residential facilities.

Mr. D. Purdy, Social Planning Department, provided a map indicating the location of 188 community facilities of various kinds. Members of the Committee felt that the location of day care centres, including those in private homes, should be shown on the map as well. Mr. Purdy advised that this would be done.

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT the Director of Planning make application to amend the Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 in accordance with the following:
 - 1. The term "Personal Care Home" be deleted from Section 2 (Definitions) and Section 11.9.1 of the Zoning and Development By-law.
 - 2. The conditional use category "Special Needs Residential Facility" be substituted for the uses "Community Residential Facility" and "Personal Care Home" wherever they appear in the Zoning and Development By-law and that "Special Needs Residential Facility" be defined as:
 - (a) a Community Care Facility, which means a residential facility as defined in the Community Care Facilities Licensing Act, as amended; or
 - (b) a Child Welfare Facility, which means any facility other than a Community Care Facility providing a group living arrangement for more than five children in the care of the Superintendent of Child Welfare; or
 - (c) a Group Living Facility, which means a facility other than a Community Care Facility, for more than five physically disabled, mentally retarded or psychiatrically disabled persons or persons with drug or alcohol problems or persons who are under the legal custody of the Crown or persons with other living problems, and which provides lodging and food and is developed for the rehabilitation of its residents through self-help or through professional care, guidance or supervision.

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3. "Special Needs Residential Facilities" shall be conditional approval uses in the Zoning and Development By-law where "Personal Care Homes" and "Community Residential Facilities" have been conditional approval uses.
4. The term "Boarding House" be redefined in Section 2 of the Zoning and Development By-law to read "means a rooming house where meals are provided for the persons living therein, but does not include a Special Needs Residential Facility".
5. The term "Rooming House" be redefined in Section 2 of the By-law to read "means a building containing not more than 15 rooms used as sleeping units where lodging for three or more persons is provided, but does not include a Special Needs Residential Facility".
6. The term "Institution of a Religious, Philanthropic or Charitable Character" be defined in Section 2 of the By-law so as to exclude a facility that fits into the Special Needs Residential Facility categories.

and that the whole matter be referred to Public Hearing.

- B. THAT the guideline adopted by Council on October 6, 1976, providing that "Community residential facilities should not constitute more than 10% of the population within a two (2) block radius", be rescinded.
- C. THAT subject to the adoption of the proposed amendments at Public Hearing, the following guidelines be adopted and made available to the public under the title, "Guidelines for the Development of Special Needs Residential Facilities". These guidelines would assist the Director of Planning when dealing with Development Permit Applications for such uses:
 - (i) In general, a Child Welfare Facility or Group Living Facility must be of a capacity deemed by the Director of Planning, after consultation with the Director of Social Planning, to be compatible with the character of the neighbourhood in which it will be located. In all RS and RT districts, a capacity of 10 will be considered the acceptable upper limit, although higher capacities may be justified in particular cases.
 - (ii) For Special Needs Residential Facilities intended to house persons with behavioural problems which may be disruptive to the neighbourhood, more restrictive limitations may be placed on capacity and location in relation to other facilities.
 - (iii) Applicants are advised that Special Needs Residential Facilities proposing to accommodate more than 10 residents are classified under the Building By-law as Institutional Uses and, as such, are subject to more stringent requirements than Residential Uses (10 or fewer residents). An architect or design professional should be consulted to determine the implications of the Building By-law requirements.
 - (iv) In a predominantly residential area, a Special Needs Residential Facility must be spaced at least 600 feet from another Special Needs Residential Facility. Depending on the number of residents, exclusive of staff, in either the proposed or existing facility, whichever has the greater capacity, for each resident more than six (6), another 100 feet in distance shall be added up to a distance of 2,000 feet. Any Special Needs Residential Facility with a capacity of 20 or more people shall be located at least 2,000 feet from the nearest other Special Needs Residential Facility. Exceptions to this rule may be made:

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- a) where one facility operates as an annex to another, provided that the two facilities together are compatible with their neighbourhood; or
- b) for Community Care Facilities.
- (v) Special Needs Residential Facilities for short term residents, including crisis shelters and reception centres for persons awaiting placement in more permanent homes, will be discouraged from locating in the midst of established residential areas, where permanent, long-term residency is the normal pattern of community life. Preferred locations shall be in commercial or mixed commercial/residential areas or on the fringes of residential areas.
- (vi) In determining the suitability of a location for Special Needs Residential Facility, its relationship with other uses and community facilities in a neighbourhood shall be considered.
- (vii) In all cases, neighbouring residents who could be affected, as determined by the Director of Planning, shall be notified of Development Permit applications for Special Needs Residential Facilities and be given opportunities to express their views in writing before permits are granted or refused.
- (viii) In cases where there is concern that a Special Needs Residential Facility may prove disruptive to a neighbourhood, development permits may be granted for limited periods of time, with the understanding that permits to continue use may be granted as long as operations prove compatible with neighbourhood life.
- (ix) Applicants for Special Needs Residential Facilities may be required to name a neighbourhood liaison person to whom neighbourhood residents can refer for exchange of information and expression of concern regarding the facility, both while an application for a development permit is being considered and, if a permit is granted, while the facility is in operation.
- (x) Applicants desiring Long Term Care funding or requiring Community Care Facilities Licensing must contact the Medical Health Officer prior to applying for the Development Permit.
- (xi) Applicants are advised to consult with Social Planning Department staff and Planning Department staff prior to filing their Development Permit application for a Special Needs Residential Facility. The Social Planning Department maintains an inventory of existing facilities and a map showing their locations. This information will help applicants to determine whether a particular location is suitable.
- (xii) Applicants may only commence operations at the proposed facility when necessary Permits and Licenses have been approved and all requirements fulfilled.

5. Disposition of Two Acres of City-owned Land at the Southeast Corner of First and Cassiar - Thunderbird Neighbourhood

The Committee considered a report of the City Manager dated October 10, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), submitting the following for consideration:

"The Supervisor of Properties recommends:

That the subject site be subdivided and serviced for sale as single family residential lots on the open market. (It is estimated that the market value based on the previous subdivision is approximately three-quarter of a million dollars.)

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"The Director of Planning recommends:

That the subject site (Lot A, Block 96, Section 29, THSL) be reserved for possible cultural or institutional uses to be developed in scale compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood."

If the recommendation of the Director of Planning is adopted, the City Manager recommends that a Public Information Meeting be held in the community so that interested groups can present their proposals to the Council and the citizens.

Mr. Youngberg, Associate Director, Area Planning, advised that the staff recommendations had previously been submitted to the Committee but had been deferred at the request of the Akali Singh Sikh Society, who expressed an interest in obtaining the land for a community centre.

Three proposals have been made to use this site for institutional purposes:

- Akali Singh Sikh Community Society
- Greek Community Church
- Open Bible Chapel Multi-purpose complex

The following were present for the discussion:

- Dr. V.S. Pendakur, Akali Singh Sikh Society, submitted a letter (copy circulated) confirming continued interest in the site for a community centre, two classrooms, gymnasium, day care centre, open to the general community.
- Father Tryfonopoulous and Mr. Dimitri Extropulous, Greek Community Church - proposal for church with related facilities and in the future, an adjoining community centre available for general use.
- Mrs. C. Bruni, Mr. W. Page and Mrs. G. Drozdowski, residents, stated they would only be prepared to accept single-family housing on the subject site.

Mr. Youngberg advised that it would be possible to prepare a subdivision of single-family housing with a cul-de-sac off 2nd Avenue, including a buffer strip on 1st Avenue. Fewer lots would be obtained.

After discussion, the Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT the Director of Planning be authorized to prepare a suitable single-family subdivision, acceptable to the neighbourhood, and report back.

6. Shaughnessy Planning Study - Status Report

The Committee considered a report of the City Manager dated October 11, 1979.

In the report the Director of Planning advises of actions taken by the First Shaughnessy Planning Study Citizens' Working Committee since Council's adoption of the composition and terms of reference of the Committee.

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Two issues have been raised which require Committee and Council action:

- Aldermanic representation
- appointment of Alternate Committee members

The Director of Planning feels there should be Council commitment to monitor the proceedings of the programme and the provision of alternate Committee members would hopefully ensure quorums and some flexibility in attendance to a tight scheduling of meetings.

Attached to the report was a copy of a letter dated October 3, 1979 (on file in City Clerk's office) from the Committee Chairman, Mr. John MacKay, requesting that Alderman Ford be appointed as Council's representative. The Citizens' Committee suggested that Alderman Ford become an active member of the Committee with full voting privileges.

Also forming part of the Agenda was a memorandum dated October 16, 1979 (on file in City Clerk's Office) from Alderman Ford to the Chairman and members of the Standing Committee, in which she advises that she would be willing to act as Liaison Alderman, but feels it would be inappropriate for an Alderman to be a member of a Citizens' Committee with voting privileges.

After discussion, the Committee

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT Alderman M. Ford be appointed as Liaison Alderman to the First Shaughnessy Planning Study Citizens' Working Committee;
- B. THAT the Liaison Alderman not be authorized to vote on the Citizens' Committee;
- C. THAT the Terms of Reference for the First Shaughnessy Planning Study Citizens' Working Committee be amended to include the provision of alternates for Committee members;
- D. THAT the First Shaughnessy Planning Study Citizens' Working Committee invite the members of the Standing Committee on Planning and Development to attend a meeting for a general discussion on the Concept Plan for First Shaughnessy.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:10 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON COMMUNITY SERVICES

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OCTOBER 18, 1979

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Community Services was held on Thursday, October 18, 1979, in Committee Room No. 2, Third Floor, City Hall, at approximately 1:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Alderman Rankin, Chairman
 Alderman Bellamy
 Alderman Gerard
 Alderman Little
 Alderman Marzari (Clauses 2 to 4)

COMMITTEE CLERK: H. Dickson

Adoption of Minutes

The Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting of Thursday, September 20, 1979, were adopted.

Recorded Vote

Unless otherwise indicated, votes of the Committee on all items are unanimous.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Bimini's Neighbourhood Pub -
Request for Extension of Hours on Halloween

The Committee considered a Manager's report dated October 12, 1979 in which the Director of Permits & Licenses reported as follows:

"A request has been received from Bimini's Neighbourhood Pub, 2010 West 4th Avenue, to stay open on Halloween Night, October 31, 1979, (Wednesday) until 1:00 A.M. November 1, 1979. The Pub is normally required to close at 11:00 P.M.

Bimini's is planning a special party for that evening with costume only policy and special entertainment.

The Police Department advise that:

'the NCO in charge of that particular area has no objection to this request. He wishes, however, that you be aware that BIMINI's has just completed a Liquor Branch suspension for overcrowding.

Please be advised that the Vancouver Police Department has no objection to this request subject to the city approving a special permit for this one occasion only.'

The request from Bimini's is submitted for CONSIDERATION."

The report was submitted for consideration by the City Manager who noted the request is the first of its type and may be a precedent for further requests from others.

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The Committee, not wishing to establish a precedent for extending hours of operation for neighbourhood pubs for special events, therefore

RECOMMENDED

THAT there be no change in the hours of operation of the Bimini Neighbourhood Pub, 2010 West 4th Avenue, on Wednesday, October 31, 1979.

2. Police Report - Smilin' Buddha Cabaret

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated October 10, 1979 from Police Supt. J. R. Page advising numerous reports received on the operation of the Smilin' Buddha Cabaret refer to unsatisfactory aspects of the overall operation.

The Police Superintendent requested the Committee review the management and operation of the club and indicated two spokesmen from the department are available to present a detailed and comprehensive report on the operation of the cabaret.

The Chairman pointed out that Ms. Diane Kilpatrick has been retained by Mr. Lachman Das Jir, operator of the Smilin' Buddha, that Ms. Kilpatrick was unable to appear this date and requested the Committee defer consideration of the matter.

The Chairman directed that the clerk obtain a copy of the Police report and provide it to Ms. Kilpatrick and her client to enable them to prepare a response.

It was

RECOMMENDED

THAT consideration of the operation of the Smilin' Buddha Cabaret be deferred to a future meeting of the Committee.

3. Fall Quarter 1979 Community Services Grants

The Committee considered a Manager's report dated October 3, 1979 in which the Director of Social Planning reported the Canadian Dolphin Swim Club, Kerrisdale Jaguars Girls Soccer Team and Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House have applied for community services grants of \$6,000.00, \$200.00 and \$1,000.00, respectively.

In the report, the Director of Social Planning recommended no grants be made to the first two applicants and a grant of \$1,000.00 be made to Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House to pay for insurance, maintenance and the replacement of one piece of equipment at Sunnymoon Park at 5th and Carolina which the Neighbourhood House has assumed responsibility for.

The Director of Social Planning, in the report, commented that since Park Board subsidies to the Canadian Dolphin Swim Club are substantial and because benefits from the club are limited to relatively few young people who can meet the high standards of excellence required by a competitive swim club of international calibre, he could not recommend a grant to that organization.

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Clause No. 3 Continued

The Director of Social Planning recommended no grant for the Kerrisdale Jaguars Girls Soccer Team as the request does not fit within the community services grants guidelines.

Ms. R. Shearer of the Social Planning Department appeared before the Committee on this matter and reiterated comments contained in the report.

A Ms. Schootman appealed to the Committee on behalf of the Canadian Dolphin Swim Club for a grant, pointing out some parents are unable to pay dues to allow their children to continue in the club. However, the Committee felt the club is already subsidized to a high degree by reduced Aquatic Centre Pool rental charges.

During consideration, it was noted the community services grants budget for 1979 has been exhausted and regret was expressed to Ms. Schootman that the Committee was unable to recommend a grant to the Swim Club.

It was also noted during discussion that if the City were to begin granting funds to sports clubs, it would generate a considerable increase in the number of grant applications which could necessitate a budget increase.

Following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT there be no grant to the Canadian Dolphin Swim Club in 1979.
 - B. THAT there be no grant to the Kerrisdale Jaguars Girls Soccer Team in 1979.
 - C. That a grant of \$1,000.00 be made to Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House to be used to pay for insurance, maintenance and the replacement of one piece of equipment at Sunnymoon Park.
4. Downtown Eastside Residents' Association (D.E.R.A.)- Grants Guidelines and Appeal Procedure

On Tuesday, October 16, 1979, Vancouver City Council was in receipt of a letter dated October 5, 1979 from Mr. B. Eriksen of D.E.R.A. suggesting Council expand its grants guidelines to include any reasons given by members of Council in rejecting a grant application. Mr. Eriksen's letter also suggested Council establish an impartial appeal board to which community organizations could appeal Council's rejection of community services grants applications.

Council referred the letter to the Community Services Committee.

Mr. Eriksen appeared before the Committee on this matter and suggested Council had turned down the D.E.R.A. grant application this year for political reasons and therefore this criterion should be incorporated into the grants guidelines.

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Mr. Eriksen pointed out that in order for his organization to be successful in its endeavour to improve living conditions in the Downtown Eastside, it often must be critical of both City Council and its staff and Mr. Eriksen suggested this criticism was the basis on which Council refused D.E.R.A. a grant this year.

The Committee agreed that the reasons for rejecting any grant application could be construed as "political" and also felt there is no way the Council could delegate its authority over funds to some other body such as the grants appeal board proposed by Mr. Eriksen.

Following further discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT the letter dated October 5, 1979 from Mr. Bruce Eriksen of Downtown Eastside Residents' Association be received.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:15 P.M.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON
TRANSPORTATION



October 18, 1979

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Transportation was held on Thursday, October 18, 1979, in the No. 1 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall, at approximately 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman W. Kennedy, Chairman
Alderman D. Bellamy
Alderman H. Boyce
Alderman M. Harcourt
Alderman H. Rankin

COMMITTEE CLERK: E. Bowie

The minutes of the meeting of September 27, 1979, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. News Vending Boxes and Stands

The Committee had for consideration a Manager's Report dated August 23, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), in which the City Engineer advises the present status of:

- a) Legal news vending boxes on City street allowance;
- b) Increase of illegal vending boxes for other publications;
- c) All present requests for permission to place out publication vending boxes on City street allowance.

Mr. D. Rudberg detailed certain aspects of this report for the Committee. He stated that Council in 1959 had resolved that newspaper vending on City streets be restricted to Vancouver produced daily newspapers subject to such vendors entering into an agreement with the City. There has been no change since that time. In subsequent years, various publications have requested permission for street vending but their applications have been denied.

Prior to Council establishing a firm policy on this matter, vending boxes and stands were being placed haphazardly on City streets. To now make the streets available for the vending of all types of publications other than daily newspapers could create a difficult administrative problem. It would be difficult not to have groups or rows of boxes along some sidewalks in certain prized locations, particularly downtown, which could become obstructions to pedestrians, hazards to alighting transit patrons and in some cases, a threat to motorists. Vending boxes carrying publications of a weekly or monthly issue also would often be standing empty and subject to vandalism. The report concludes with the recommendation that Council reaffirm its present policy.

Five companies are now requesting permission to place vending boxes on City streets:

Clause 1 continued

The Vancouver Free Press (Ex. Georgia Straight)
 The Christian Science Monitor
 Jet Set Sam
 Dick MacLean's Guide
 The Wall Street Journal

Four persons had requested permission to appear before the Committee in support of their applications:

- Mr. B. Fisher - "Jet Set Sam"
- Mr. R. G. Love - Christian Science Monitor
- Mr. D. MacLean - Dick MacLean's Guide
- Mr. J. A. Kerbel - Solicitor representing the
 Vancouver Free Press

Mr. Fisher of Jet Set Sam Services Incorporated, and Mr. R. G. Love of the Christian Science Monitor, were present. Mr. Fisher was requesting permission only for a box to accommodate tourist information literature for a period between April and September of each year. Mr. Love stated that contrary to the Manager's Report before the Committee, Christian Science Monitor was a daily publication. He was requesting permission for only one vending box initially but eventually a total of four or five.

Mr. D. MacLean and Mr. J. A. Kerbel were not present.

Following a short discussion, the Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council reaffirm its policy made in 1959, that permission to place news boxes or stands on City streets be granted to only Vancouver produced daily newspapers.

2. Commercial Bus Shelter Program

A letter from the Kensington N.I.P. Committee raised four principal issues concerning the commercial bus shelters installed in various locations in the City by Seaboard Advertising.

The Committee had for consideration a Manager's Report dated October 2, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), in which the City Engineer reports on the design issues raised by the Kensington N.I.P. Committee, advises Council on the current status of the bus shelter program and recommends an increase in the number of bus shelters provided by Seaboard Advertising, within the limit previously approved by Council.

The points raised by the Kensington N.I.P. Committee were as follows:

- i) Addition of an end panel on the third side to provide increased weather protection.
- ii) Increase of the shelter length (to a size comparable to the Granville Mall shelters), particularly at major transfer points or on downtown streets.
- iii) Increase in the length of shelter benches.
- iv) Installation of concrete pads between the curb and new bus shelters for the convenience of transit patrons.

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Similar letters were received from the Marpole Citizens Planning Committee, Grandview-Woodland N.I.P. Committee and the Riley Park N.I.P. Committee (on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Seaboard has indicated a willingness to incur extra costs associated with installation of partial end panels on a limited number of bus shelters where need can be demonstrated and consideration of safety and visibility factors are not compromised. These special installations would be requested at the discretion of the City Engineer. Seaboard has also expressed a willingness to provide longer benches in future installations. Modifications will be investigated and incorporated in subsequent bus shelter installations as necessary, and will take into consideration anticipated needs for transit users, particularly the elderly (additional seating may be necessary at locations adjacent to hospitals or senior citizens housing, among others). Seaboard Advertising Company has proposed that the contract be extended to provide for the installation of 150 additional bus shelters. The number proposed is the allotment originally awarded to J.C. Decaux Limited, however, since Decaux has withdrawn its commitment and it is desirable to fulfil the number approved by Council previously, the City Engineer recommends that the contract with Seaboard Advertising be revised to permit the installation of up to a total of 300 bus shelters in the City.

The Director of Planning concurs with this report and feels that a third side should be considered for any additional shelters where the shelter is on the north side of the street, the shelter is an adequate distance from the curb and the ridership is not so high that the third side would interfere with line-up for the bus.

The Committee noted a letter from the Kensington Citizens N.I.P. Committee requesting deferment of this item to a evening meeting. The Committee took no action on this request.

The Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT the contract between the City of Vancouver and Seaboard Advertising Company be extended to include up to 150 additional bus shelters, and that the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary revision.

3. Resident Parking Investigations - 200 Block East 15th Avenue and 2500 Trafalgar Street

The Committee had for consideration a Manager's Report dated September 24, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office), in which the City Engineer reports as follows:

"The Court of Revision of June 14, 1979, when dealing with Project 4 (456) and Project 62 (455), resolved as follows:

'That Project 4 (456) 15th Avenue, Main Street to Sophia Street, be deferred and a report be submitted to the Transportation Committee on the feasibility of 'Resident Parking Only' signs being installed.

Further That Mr. & Mrs. Pattinson be advised when the matter will be considered by the Committee.

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That Project 62 (455), lane south of Broadway from Trafalgar Street to Larch Street be deferred pending a report from the City Engineer to the Transportation Committee on the feasibility of installing 'Resident Parking Only' signs and the examination of off-street parking.'

This report deals with the results of our investigations into the existing resident parking situation in these two cases."

The report goes on to detail investigations conducted by the Engineering Department into the parking problems in both locations at various times and dates. Investigation has shown that while residents may be experiencing some parking problems at various times, these are not as frequent or severe in relation to other parts of the City and the maximum observed parking densities are not high enough to warrant an R.P.O. zone.

Mrs. B. Kellie of 2560 Trafalgar Street was present for discussion of this matter and indicated to the Committee that she was more interested in getting the street in front of her residence paved, but did not understand the appropriate process involved. The Committee explained to Mrs. Kellie that by the very nature of the Committee, it was unable to assist in her request for paving, but would request the City Engineer to initiate appropriate action on this matter.

Following discussion, the Committee

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT 'Resident Parking Only' zones in the 200 Block East 15th Avenue and the 2500 Block East Trafalgar Street not be established.
- B. THAT the paving projects (Project 4 (456), 15th Avenue, Main Street to Sophia Street, and Project 62 (455), lane south of Broadway from Trafalgar Street to Larch Street) as originally proposed be undertaken.
- C. THAT the City Engineer determine which portion of Trafalgar Street between Broadway and West 10th Avenue requires paving, and initiate a local improvement project for the unpaved portion for submission to a Court of Revision.

4. The Shopper FreeBus Study

The Committee had for consideration a Manager's Report dated September 28, 1979 (circulated), in which the City Engineer reports conclusions reached on the Shoppers' FreeBus Study, recently completed and prepared by the Engineering Department, jointly funded by Transport Canada and the City of Vancouver.

The Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT the report from the City Engineer on the Shoppers' FreeBus service be received for information.

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The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:15 p.m.

REPORT TO COUNCILSTANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

October 18, 1979

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Finance and Administration was held on Thursday, October 18, 1979, at 3:30 p.m., in the No. 3 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Alderman Puil, Chairman
Alderman Little
Alderman Gerard
Alderman Marzari

ABSENT: Alderman Ford

CLERK: G. Barden

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Renewal of Agreement Concerning Transfer of
Zoning and Other Property Data to Real Estate
Board of Greater Vancouver

On June 20, 1978 Council approved the following resolution:

"THAT Council reconsider its decision of February 21, 1978 and approve for a one-year period the supplying of zoning information to the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver, subject to an agreement satisfactory to the Law Department regarding the use of the data, and that the Real Estate Board be billed for all costs related to providing them with this data."

The current agreement between the City and the Real Estate Board (R.E.B.) specifying the terms and conditions of the data transfer expires on November 6, 1979.

The Committee considered a Manager's report (previously circulated), wherein the Director of Planning reported on the success of the data transfer in reducing telephone inquiries for zoning information, and to recommend renewal of the agreement with a minor modification to include taxes in the list of information provided.

The report advised that the data transfer was approved to enable the Real Estate Board to respond to inquiries from its members using its newly installed computer and on-line terminals, and thereby reduce demands on City departments for this information.

The information provided to the Real Estate Board consists of property address, coordinate (i.e. roll number), legal description, lot code and size, actual use code, zoning, and B.C. Assessment Authority actual values for each assessed property in the City.

The first data transfer was made on November 23, 1978 and was followed by quarterly updates in February, May, and August 1979. The Real Estate Board has been invoiced for the full costs of providing the data (both staff and computer time); to date this has amounted to \$4,425. In addition, the City's \$500 Real Estate Board membership fee was offset against the data transfer charges.

Clause No. 1 cont'd:

It is important to note that the computer programs through which realtors obtain the City's property information have built-in security systems which only enable information to be obtained on one property at a time and prevent the information from being used to create mailing labels. It should also be noted that owners name and address information is not included in the information transferred by the City to the Real Estate Board.

In addition to the reduction in the number of telephone inquiries to City Hall, the City has recently benefitted by obtaining access to other information stored on the Real Estate Board computer such as property sale and listing data. This information can be accessed at present through the computer terminals in the Planning and Permits and Licenses Departments. At present, this service is being provided to the City at no charge and is additional to the 'Multiple Listing Service' property listing and selling information received by the City's property division. It is expected that this data will become more useful to the Planning Department and Properties Division in the future as the Real Estate Board property sales data base expands over time.

The information currently provided to the Real Estate Board includes the B.C. Assessment Authority actual values, from which assessed values and taxes can be calculated if the appropriate tax classification code is known. The Real Estate Board has indicated that it would be useful if it could also obtain current year taxes levied, since this information is needed when a property is listed for sale. Since there is no confidentiality about taxes levied on an individual property, and since the availability of this information should reduce inquiry calls to the City's tax department, it is recommended that this information be added to the agreement.

The Director of Planning advises he is not aware of any abuses of the current agreement, or of any problems which have arisen from the provision of the property tax data. If the agreement is not extended, however, inquiries to City Hall will undoubtedly increase, probably necessitating additional staff at the zoning counter.

Following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT Council amend the agreement with the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver to include taxes in the list of information provided.
 - B. THAT the amended agreement be valid for one year and be renewed on a year to year basis if no changes are required by either side.
2. Fire Fighter Entrance Qualifications and Selection Procedures in the Lower Mainland

The Committee considered a Manager's report dated October 16, 1979 (previously circulated), wherein the Fire Chief and Director of Personnel Services reported on fire fighter entrance qualifications and selection procedures in the Lower Mainland.

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Clause No. 2 cont'd:

They advised that their report was being submitted to:

- (1) Bring Council up to date on the progress of the Study to develop objective job related criteria for the Fire Fighter selection; and
- (2) Recommend that Council authorize \$15,000 for the initial phase of the Proposal Study; and
- (3) Recommend that Council authorize proceeding with limited further hiring on the present standards.

In June 1978 Council approved a program to seek objective job-related criteria for selection of fire fighter recruits through a study of "Fire Fighter Entrance Qualifications and Selection Procedures in the Lower Mainland", to be carried out by an independent medical-technical professional group. Subsequent to the study, fire fighter competitions were to be advertised.

The Fire Department requires four recruits now and will require in the order of 60 recruits in 1980 to maintain strength. The Personnel Department presently has 700 applications on file for fire fighter positions and it is estimated that advertising would produce an additional 1,800 or more applications. Processing the additional applications would cost an estimated \$40,000 and the report suggests that a change in procedure be used as a screening device to limit the number of applicants tested and interviewed by stating a preference for employees with any or all of:

- (a) a Class III (heavy truck) driver's licence
- (b) an air brake certificate
- (c) a first aid certificate
- (d) relevant (mechanical or building) trades experience

It is estimated that the foregoing screening devices would save approximately \$25,000 in the processing of the additional applications.

In view of the need for fire fighter recruits early in 1980, and Council's intention to review standards before further recruiting, it is suggested in the report that Council may wish to consider the following alternatives to advertising immediately, and recruiting a full slate of applicants for 1980 (60+).

- (1) (a) Advertise now, with preferences as noted before
- (b) Recruit a full slate of candidates for 1980 (60+)
- (c) Establish a "1980 Eligibility List" of qualified candidates for vacancies during that year.

This option is not recommended at this time because it does not meet Council's objective of revising standards before additional recruiting takes place.

- (2) Recruit a full slate of candidates from existing applications.

This option is not recommended since it does not meet Council's objectives of advertising competitions nor of revising standards before additional recruiting takes place.

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Clause No. 2 cont'd:

- (3) (a) To meet existing shortages (4) and manning requirements for the first six months of 1980 (30), recruit from existing applications only enough candidates to fill the February 1980 Recruit Training Class (34).
- (b) To meet remaining 1980 manning requirements (30+)
 - (i) develop a new "Application for Fire Fighters" and screening procedures to deal more effectively and economically with large number of applicants
 - (ii) advertise early in 1980 including preferences shown above
 - (iii) introduce, if possible, revised criteria emanating from the initial phase of the Study after Council approval (further changes are expected from the more detailed phase).

This option is recommended; although it does not fully meet Council's concern to review standards before further recruiting takes place, it comes as close as possible given the delays in the Study due to funding problems and considering the immediate manning requirements of the Fire Department.

During discussion, it was largely agreed by the Committee that manning requirements for the first six months of 1980 should be proceeded with from existing applications and that the remaining applications for 1980 should be posted internally rather than advertised as an interim measure pending results of this study. It was noted that it is normal City policy to post jobs internally and advertise only when there are no suitable applications received. The entrance requirements could be modified for the second hiring in 1980 if the study is completed in time. It was suggested approaching the G.V.R.D. to assist with financing the study since Lower Mainland fire departments would benefit.

Following further discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT Council approve an expenditure of up to \$15,000 for the initial phase of the study, "Fire Fighter Entrance Qualifications and Selection Procedures in the Lower Mainland", and the G.V.R.D. be approached to assist with funding the study.
- B. To meet existing shortages (4) and manning requirements for the first six months of 1980 (30), recruit from existing applications only enough candidates to fill the February 1980 Recruit Training Class (34).
- C. To meet remaining 1980 manning requirements (30+)
 - (i) post internally early in 1980 including preferences shown above - (Alderman Marzari opposed)
 - (ii) introduce, if possible, revised criteria emanating from the initial phase of the Study after Council approval.
- D. THAT an amount of up to \$4,000 be authorized for staff overtime to process existing applications.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:20 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

October 18, 1979

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning and Development was held on Thursday, October 18, 1979, at 7:30 p.m., at the Marpole United Church Hall, 67th Avenue and Selkirk Street, Vancouver, B.C.

PRESENT: Alderman Harcourt, Chairman
Alderman Boyce
Alderman Ford
Alderman Kennedy (first part of meeting)
Alderman Puil

ALSO
PRESENT: Alderman Little

CLERK: M.L. Cross

RECOMMENDATION

1. The Marpole Plan

The Committee considered a report of the City Manager dated October 11, 1979 forwarding a copy of the City Planning Department report, "The Marpole Plan" dated October, 1979 (on file in the City Clerk's Office). In the report, the Department outlines the planning process and advises that the purpose of the Plan is to provide direction to decision-making on new development, traffic control and recreational facilities. The Plan supports the future of Marpole as a strongly identifiable and healthy community. Appendix I to the Manager's Report lists the recommended Goals, Policies and Action Statements. Appendix II lists a recommended order of priority for projects requiring capital funding.

The Manager's Report notes that projects not approved for the Community Services Contribution Programme should be funded in the near future through Supplementary Capital and other appropriate sources. Many of the policies do not involve capital expenditures but will utilize staff time for a planner full time for the remainder of 1979 and much of his time in 1980 depending on the number of projects approved for funding and based on other Departmental priorities.

Mr. D. Thomsett, Marpole Area Planner, presented a visual interpretation of the proposed goals for

- (a) parks, recreation and community facilities;
- (b) housing;
- (c) traffic and transportation;
- (d) commercial areas;
- (e) industrial areas;
- (f) special study areas.

Mr. I. Taylor, Chairman, Marpole Citizens' Planning Committee, submitted a letter dated October 18, 1979 (copy circulated) noting The Marpole Plan is a result of 1½ years of hard work and dedication by the Committee and City staff. Now the Citizens' Committee is awaiting tangible action from City Council towards implementing the recommendations in the Plan.

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Clause No. 1 cont'd:

Alderman G. Puil, Liaison Alderman for Marpole, agreed that many of the projects can be done with very little money, i.e. dressing up commercial area with planting of trees. Priorities have been identified for projects subject to availability of funding from Community Services Contribution Programme. Council will give consideration to funding some projects in the Supplementary Capital Budget. Representation should be made requesting the Park Board to include requests for funds for certain projects in its Budget.

Mr. L. Haberlin, Marpole Business Association, expressed support for the Plan.

Members of the audience expressed various concerns:

- it is almost impossible to cross Marine Drive at the intersection of Manitoba Street
- why has Riverview Park been completely neglected
- it is important to maintain a seniors programme, such as Marpole Place
- principle of waterfront park shouldn't disappear
- since the five traffic lights have been installed on Granville Street, traffic on Adera has increased
- residents adjacent to the mill are concerned that the hours of operation and level of sound can't be limited
- urgent need for four-way stop or flashing stop light at 71st Avenue and Hudson Street

Mr. D. Rudberg, Assistant City Engineer, Traffic, noted the specific concerns re traffic and advised he would investigate them.

Mr. S. Fancy, Economic Development Officer, advised that he had recommended further study on some of the industrial policies.

After a brief discussion, the Committee

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT the Goals, Policies and Action Statements, (with the exception of Policies 44, 48 and 49) contained in the Marpole Plan be approved.
- B. THAT a decision of Policies 44, 48 and 49 be deferred for a further report to the Committee.
- C. THAT the priorities for identified projects as outlined in Appendix II to the report of the City Manager dated October 11, 1979, be approved in principle, subject to future availability of funding from the Community Services Contribution Programme, Supplementary Capital and other sources.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:00 p.m.

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